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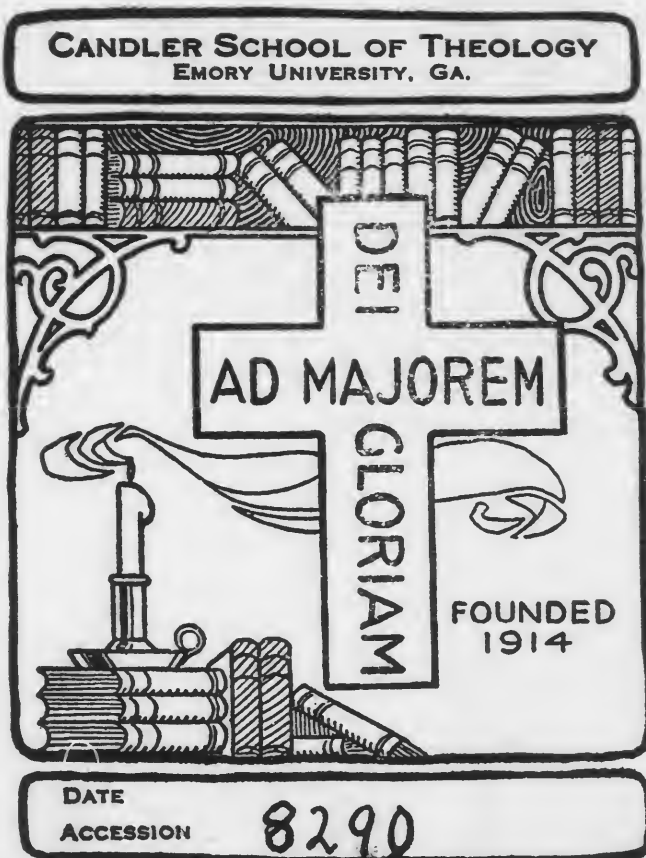
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II.

JOURNAL.

THE VIRGINIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, South, commenced its *Seventy-second Session*, in the town of Charlottesville, Virginia, November 18th, 1868, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Bishop William M. Wightman, President of the Conference, took the chair. (Bishop John Early being also present.)

The following members appeared and took their seats :

Joseph Carson, George W. Nolley, John W. White, William B. Rowzie, Henry B. Cowles, John E. Edwards, Hartwell H. Gary, Jacob Manning, Leonidas Rosser, Nelson Head, John C. Granbery, Joseph Spriggs, James R. Waggener, Lemuel S. Reid, James D. Lumsden, Wm. H. Christian, Peter A. Peterson, Joseph A. Proctor, David M. Wallace, George H. Ray, William E. Judkins, Alexander G. Brown, William G. Lumpkin, Henry M. Linney, Thos. H. Boggs, James Jamieson, James H. Crown, Samuel S. Lambeth, Robert N. Sledd, Robert W. Watts, James M. Anderson, Zechariah E. Harrison, William H. Camper, William W. Duncan, George C. Vanderslice, George E. Booker, Charles V. Bingley, James C. Martin, John S. Lindsay, James W. Compton, William E. Edwards, Joseph B. Merritt, Henry C. Bowles, Edward N. S. Blogg, James L. Fisher, Milton L. Bishop, William G. Starr, Herbert T. Bacon, Paul Whitehead, George W. Langhorne, Edward P. Wilson, Davis P. Wills, D. J. C. Slaughter, Joseph E. Potts, Thomas M. Beckham, and Adam C. Bledsoe.

Lay Members.—S. D. Turner, of Richmond District.

Conference was opened with religious services, conducted by Bishop Wightman and Bishop Early.

On motion, Paul Whitehead was re-elected Secretary, and P. A. Peterson Assistant Secretary.

The Conference proceeded to appoint standing committees of one clerical and one lay member from each Presiding Elder's District, under the provisions of the Discipline and of former action of the Conference, as follows :

On Education.—Clerical.—Nelson Head, William E. Edwards, William E. Judkins, James Jamieson, William W. Duncan, John C. Granbery, John S. Lindsay, Hezekiah P. Mitchell, and Sam'l S. Lambeth.

Lay.—S. D. Turner, Edwin B. Brown, Robert C. Mitchell, R. E. G. Adams, Wm. B. McGilvray, Richard M. Smith, Joseph C. Deming, William T. Chandler, and John S. Chamberlain.

On Publishing Interests.—Clerical.—L. M. Lee, Robert W. Watts, Jacob Manning, Oscar Littleton, David M. Wallace, Wm. E. Allen, T. B. Sargent, Joseph H. Davis, John M. Saunders.

Lay.—Jeff W. Stubbs, Francis T. West, Thomas Whitehead, Wm. W. Webb, Samuel B. Major, James M. Whidbee, Hugh A. Jackson, Samuel Downing, and T. B. Hamlin.

On Sunday Schools.—Clerical.—E. M. Peterson, James M. Anderson, James R. Waggener, James C. Watson, Joseph B. Merritt, James L. Fisher, James C. Martin, Wm. F. Bain, and Joseph H. Amiss.

Lay.—Asa Snyder, S. M. Shepherd, Jacob H. Robinson, Thos. M. Leech, William Ballou, Jesse J. Yeates, Levi D. Travers, Thomas W. Garrett, and J. A. Wingfield.

On motion, L. M. Lee, Jacob Manning, and Robert N. Sledd were appointed a Committee on Memoirs.

On motion of W. H. Christian, the following committee of one layman, from each Presiding Elder's District, was appointed on the subject of ministerial support :

Isaac O. Austin, William G. Clarke, Thomas M. Bass, Thomas M. Leach, Wm. T. Sutherlin, John R. Kilby, Robert D. Cutherell, F. A. Hancock, and Richard M. Smith.

On motion, the Presiding Elder of Charlottesville District, the minister in charge of Charlottesville station, and John S. Lindsay were appointed a Committee on Public Worship.

The following members were appointed to compose the Joint Board of Finance :

Clerical.—Robert N. Sledd, William G. Lumpkin, Alexander G. Brown, B. H. Johnson, Thomas H. Boggs, Thomas A. Ware, George W. Nolley, Joseph H. Davis, and John M. Saunders.

Lay.—Jeff. W. Stubbs, Wm. G. Clarke, Thomas M. Bass, Wm. M. Gill, Wm. T. Sutherlin, John R. Kilby, Joseph C. Deming, Samuel Downing, and D'Arcy Paul.

On motion, the hour of meeting, daily, was fixed at nine o'clock A. M., and of adjournment at one o'clock P. M.

Communications from A. H. Redford, Book Agent, and Thomas O. Summers, Book Editor of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, were presented to the Conference, read, and referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests.

A communication from W. G. E. Cunningham, Acting Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the M. E. Church South, was presented to the Conference, read, and, on motion, referred to the following committee: Nelson Head, John E. Edwards, Robert Michaels, Peter A. Peterson, Paul Whitehead, W. W. Webb, W. T. Chandler, Asa Snyder, Edwin B. Brown, and Jacob H. Robinson.

A communication from J. M. Binkley, Presiding Elder of Sherman District, Trinity Conference, respecting Benjamin M. Williams, one of the superannuated preachers of this Conference, residing within the bounds of that Conference, was read, and referred to the Joint Board of Finance.

On motion of P. A. Peterson, it was ordered that the examination of ministerial character be conducted with open doors.

On motion, Jacob H. Robinson was appointed Treasurer *pro tem.* of the Board of Domestic Missions of the Conference, in the absence of D'Arcy Paul, who is sick.

The following superannuated preachers passed in examination of character, and were severally placed on the superannuated list for the ensuing year: Jacob Shough, Alexander Stewart, Joseph Carson, Samuel T. Moorman, John C. Garlic, Wm. A. Robinson, Humphrey Billups, Benjamin Devany, Matthew M. Dance, Minton Thrift, and Benjamin M. Williams.

Wm. H. Christian announced the peaceful death of James E. Joyner, at his home in Henry County, on the 15th day of March, 1868.

Bishop Early in the chair.

The following elders passed in examination : Leonidas Rosser, Nelson Head, George W. Langhorne, Robert N. Sledd, James H. Crown, Edward M. Peterson, Leroy M. Lee, Charles C. Pearson, George C. Vanderslice, Robert N. Crooks, Francis M. Edwards, James L. Shipley, Francis J. Boggs, Edward N. S. Blogg, W. W. Bennett.

And then the Conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, November 19, 1868.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Wightman in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by George W. Nolley.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members appeared and took their seats :

Clerical.—John W. Howard, Jas. L. Spencer, Jeremiah McMullen, W. F. Bain, Edward M. Peterson, James F. Finnell, Hezekiah P. Mitchell, Joseph H. Amiss, Thomas A. Ware, Henry M. Linney, Robert B. Beadles, Philmer W. Archer, Robert O. Burton, James E. McSparran, James P. Garland, Edgar H. Pritchett, Lewis H. Greybill, George C. Vanderslice, Wm. E. Allen, John W. F. Jones, Wm. W. Spain, James W. Connelly, Joseph E. Martin, Francis M. Edwards, Thomas B. Sargent, Josiah D. Hank.

Lay.—W. M. Gill of Farmville District ; John R. Kilby of Murfreesboro District ; W. G. Clarke and S. M. Shepherd of Charlottesville District ; Levi D. Travers of Norfolk District ; J. A. Wingfield of Petersburg District ; Asa Snyder of Richmond District ; Thomas Whitehead and Jacob H. Robinson of Lynchburg District.

On motion of Nelson Head, John C. Granbery was appointed to serve during the present session in place of Wm. H. Christian, and F. M. Edwards in place of D. P. Wills, on the Committee of Examination for the Fourth Year.

On motion of P. A. Peterson, Jacob Manning, James P. Garland, and James C. Martin, were appointed a committee to receive and digest the reports on church property.

Rev. Dr. Taylor, Secretary of the American Bible Society, and Rev. Dr. Baird, Agent of the Virginia Bible Society, were introduced to the Conference, and delivered addresses in relation to the interests and operations of the Societies which they respectively represent; whereupon, on motion of James A. Duncan, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we have listened with great pleasure to the deeply interesting addresses of Rev. Dr. Taylor, Secretary of the American Bible Society, and Rev. Dr. Baird, of the Virginia Bible Society, and that we cordially appreciate the great and glorious work which is so nobly and energetically prosecuted by these Societies, and we do most earnestly commend their respective representatives to all our people.

On motion of R. O. Burton, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three ministers and three laymen be appointed to take into consideration the spiritual wants of the colored population in the bounds of this Conference, and report the result of their deliberations.

The following were appointed to compose the committee: *Ministers*.—R. O. Burton, L. M. Lee, John E. Edwards. *Laymen*.—Wm. M. Gill, John R. Kilby, and Levi D. Travers.

On motion of Leo. Rosser, Asa Snyder was substituted for Isaac O. Austion (who is absent) on the Committee on Ministerial Support.

The following Elders passed in examination of character: Jesse K. Powers, Lemuel S. Reid, Wm. E. Edwards, Robert W. Watts, John J. Lafferty, George E. Booker, Milton L. Bishop, Benjamin C. Spiller, Wm. W. Berry, Wm. G. Lumpkin, John W. Tucker, Henry M. Linney, James M. Anderson, Hartwell H. Gary, William I. Hunter, D. J. C. Slaughter, James F. Finnell, Alexander G. Brown, John E. Edwards, Wm. E. Judkins, James P. Garland, Thomas H. Early, Joseph E. Potts, James R. Waggener, Jacob Manning, Joseph Spriggs, Jacob H. Proctor, James H. Jefferson, James E. McSparren, Wm. H. Christian, Wm. W. Duncan, John D. Southall, Thomas H. Boggs, Joseph Lear, Robert A. Gregory, David M. Wallace, Josiah D. Hank, Alex. M. Hall, Joseph B. Merritt, Thomas P. Wise, Joseph A. Proctor, Oscar Littleton, B. H. Johnson, L. J. Hansberger, James C. Watson, George H. Ray, Henry C. Cheatham, James L. Spencer, Robert Michaels, James W. Blincoe, James McAden, James Jamieson, B. F. Woodward, William Carter, Robert O. Burton, Edward P. Wilson, James A. Duncan, Thomas S. Campbell, John C. Granbery, Robert A.

Compton, Thomas Diggs, John M. Saunders, Joseph H. Amiss, James A. Riddick, James W. Connelly, Joseph H. Riddick, John W. White, George N. Guy, and John P. Woodward.

And, on motion, it was ordered that Jesse K. Powers and Robert A. Gregory be placed on the superannuated list; and that J. J. Lafferty, D. J. C. Slaughter, Thomas J. Early, Jacob H. Proctor, John D. Southall, James L. Spencer, James McAden, William Carter, James A. Riddick, and Joseph H. Riddick be placed on the supernumerary list.

The Presiding Elder of the Charlottesville District reported to the Conference that he had been unable, during the year, to have the charges against Z. E. Harrison—referred to him by the last Conference—investigated.

The President appointed the following committee to try said charges during the present session: J. C. Granbery (Chairman), H. H. Gary, Joseph E. Potts, Jacob Manning, James L. Shipley, Joseph Spriggs, George E. Booker, Oscar Littleton, E. M. Peterson, and John G. Rowe.

And then the Conference adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, November 20, 1868.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Wightman in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Wm. H. Christian.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members appeared and took their seats:

Clerical.—Leroy M. Lee, Robert Michaels, B. H. Johnson, W. W. Bennett, Benj. F. Woodward, James F. Brannin, James A. Duncan, John G. Rowe, Oscar Littleton, Wm. W. Berry, Charles C. Pearson, William I. Hunter, James L. Shipley, Robert A. Compton, John M. Saunders.

Lay.—R. E. G. Adams, of Randolph Macon District; Francis T. West and E. B. Brown, of Charlottesville District.

P. A. Peterson offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was laid upon the table for the present:

Resolved, That the Bishops be, and they are hereby requested, to fix the time for holding future sessions of our Conference in the month of February, and not earlier than the 20th of that month; the next session to be held in February, 1870.

Henry B. Cowles delivered to the Conference the credentials of ordination of James M. White, lately a local deacon of our church, within the bounds of Murfreesboro' District, who has been expelled from the church for immoral conduct. The credentials were ordered to be filed.

On motion of Jacob Manning, the Joint Board of Finance were instructed to allow the claim of the wife and children of Robert A. Gregory (who became insane during the present year) as though they were among the widows and orphans of deceased preachers.

On motion of L. M. Lee, the Conference requested P. A. Peterson to publish the minutes of the present session, in pursuance of a plan made known by him to the Conference.

The following Elders passed in examination of character :

Nathaniel Thomas, James W. Compton, Henry B. Cowles, Thos. A. Ware, M. S. Colonna, Robert I. Carson, Jeremiah McMullen, Wm. E. Allen, P. F. August, William J. Norfleet, Thomas L. Williams, Charles V. Bingley, James D. Lumsden, James L. Fisher, S. S. Lambeth, Alfred Wiles, Isaac M. Arnold, Paul Whitehead, William Grant, D. P. Wills, Peter A. Peterson, Joseph E. Martin, Henry C. Bowles, George W. Nolley, John W. Howard, William H. Camper, Lloyd Moore, James C. Martin, James O. Moss, B. W. Daugherty, John B. Dey, John B. Laurens, William B. Rowzie, Lewis H. Greybill, John F. Poulton, Wilbur F. Robbins, John W. F. Jones, James F. Brannin, Thomas J. Bayton, Joseph H. Davis, William F. Bain, Robert B. Beadles, H. P. Mitchell, John G. Rowe and Edgar H. Pritchett.

And it was ordered that Robert I. Carson, William J. Norfleet, Isaac M. Arnold, B. W. Daugherty, John B. Laurens, John F. Poulton, Wilbur F. Robbins, and James F. Brannin be placed on the supernumerary list.

Bishop Early in the chair.

Charles E. Hobday, William P. Wright, Travis J. Taylor, Benj. F. Tennille, and David F. Hodges, who were received on trial at the last Conference, passed in examination of character, and were severally continued on trial.

Wm. G. Starr and Herbert T. Bacon passed in examination of character, and were severally continued as deacons.

Thomas M. Beckham, Thos. P. Wise, Benjamin T. Ames, and Adam C. Bledsoe passed in examination of character, and Thos. M. Beckham and Adam C. Bledsoe were elected to elders' orders; Thomas P. Wise was continued as a deacon; Benjamin T. Ames (who was elected to elders' orders in 1861, but never ordained) was placed on the superannuated list.

On motion of P. A. Peterson, it was ordered that the Presiding Elder of Randolph Macon District cause reports affecting the moral character of William W. Spain to be investigated according to the provisions of the Discipline.

And then the Conference adjourned.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, November 21, 1868.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Wightman in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Francis J. Boggs.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members appeared and took their seats:

Clerical.—Joseph H. Davis, Francis J. Boggs, Thomas L. Williams, Henry C. Cheatham, John J. Lafferty, M. S. Colonna, Wm. H. Hopkins, John W. Tucker, and James C. Watson.

Lay.—W. W. Webb, of Randolph Macon District; Joseph C. Deming, of Norfolk District; Thomas W. Garrett, of Rappahannock District; R. M. Smith, of Petersburg District.

A communication from J. B. McFerrin, Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions of the M. E. Church, South, enclosing a copy of the annual report of said Board, was read to the Conference, and, on motion, referred to the Board of Domestic Missions of this Conference.

A communication from the Trustees of Emmanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Portsmouth, Virginia, to this Conference, was read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on the Religious wants of the Colored People.

On motion of P. A. Peterson, the action of the Conference on yesterday, by which the case of W. W. Spain was referred to the

Presiding Elder of Randolph Macon District for investigation, was reconsidered, and his character was passed.

John R. Kilby, chairman of a meeting of the lay delegates to this Conference, held this morning, reported to the Conference a preamble and resolutions adopted by the meeting, which are as follows :

Whereas, We, the Lay Delegates to the Virginia Annual Conference, believing the missionary spirit of Methodism as heretofore set forth and carried out in its itinerant system, distributing the talent and usefulness of the ministry among all our people, and carrying the gospel to all men in all places, to be under God, the great strength and power of our Church ; and believing that all independent pastoral charges and supplies of ministers outside and independent of the good old Disciplinary plan, are contrary to the wise teachings and successful usages of our fathers, detrimental to our church, and injurious to the spread of the gospel, and believing that these evils are slowly insinuating themselves unrebuked among our people; and whereas our presiding officer, Bishop Wightman, deemed it proper to offer a word of exhortation to his clerical brethren, asking their sympathy, prayers and co-operation in the arduous and solemn work of stationing the ministers, entreating the ministry in the spirit of self-sacrifice, and without murmuring, to acquiesce in the appointments made, trusting in the providence of God ; and whereas we steadfastly believe in and heartily accept the Methodist doctrine, that after earnest prayer to God for his guidance and the influence of his Holy Spirit in the council, and with an honest and impartial determination to look only to the glory of God, and the good of his church in the stationing room, the work *then, there, and thus* accomplished, has his blessing and his protection; and believing it to be the high and holy duty of every Methodist, clerical and lay, cheerfully to acquiesce in this serious and solemn work of the church ; therefore

Resolved, That the laity of the Virginia Conference will cheerfully and affectionately receive into their circuits and stations, their hearts and their homes, whomsoever the Bishop, in the providence of God, shall send to the work ; and recognizing the hand of God in this ancient usage, they will, to the utmost of their ability, uphold the church and support the ministry with their hands, their purses, and their prayers.

Resolved, That the chairman and brother Thomas Whitehead, be, and they are hereby appointed a committee to lay the action of this meeting before the annual Conference.

On motion of James A. Duncan, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That we, the ministers of the Virginia Annual Conference, most warmly reciprocate the generous Christian action of the lay delegates of this body, as expressed in the preamble and resolutions with which they have responded to the address of the Bishop concerning his important and responsible task in stationing the preachers of the Conference.

William H. Hopkins, a deacon of the Conference, passed in examination of character and was continued as a deacon.

William M. Jerdone, Charles E. Watts, John N. Jones, John W. Hildrup, and Joshua L. Garrett, who were continued on trial at the last Conference, passed in examination of character, were examined before the Conference by the Bishop in accordance with the

provisions of the Discipline, and were severally admitted into full connection ; and Charles E. Watts was elected to elders' orders, and John N. Jones to deacons' orders.

Aurelius W. Holt, who was continued on trial at the last Conference, passed in examination of character, and on account of ill health was continued on trial.

The following local preachers were severally recommended by the Quarterly Conferences of the charges to which they respectively belong, for election to deacons' orders, passed in examination of character, and were elected accordingly, viz.: John W. Synco, of Market Street Station, Petersburg, John W. Dadisman, of Piedmont Mission ; Thomas L. Austin, of Bedford Springs Circuit ; Thomas Fulton, of Appomattox Circuit ; Wyatt Walker, of Pittsylvania Circuit ; and Joseph D. Arnold, of Charlotte Circuit.

On motion of Nelson Head, the subject of Education and the report of the committee on that subject, were made the order of the day for Monday, at 10 o'clock A. M.

And then the Conference adjourned.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, November 23, 1868.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Wightman in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by John W. Howard.

The minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

The following members appeared and took their seats :

Clerical.—S. T. Moorman, L. J. Hansberger, and G. N. Guy.

Lay.—Hugh A. Jackson, of Norfolk District ; Isaac O. Austin and Jeff. W. Stubbs, of Richmond District ; Thomas M. Leach, of Randolph Macon District ; Thomas M. Bass, of Lynchburg District ; R. D. Cutherell, of Norfolk District ; and Joseph S. Dejarrette, of Rappahannock District.

Bishop Wightman reported the following ordinations by him at the Methodist Church in this place yesterday, viz.: After morning service the following persons as deacons—John N. Jones, John W. Synco, John W. Dadisman, and William H. Napier. After evening service the following persons as elders—Charles E. Watts, Thomas M. Beckham, and Adam C. Bledsoe.

Thomas Fulton, who was elected to deacons' orders on Saturday, was ordained this morning by Bishop Wightman in the presence of the Conference.

Wesley C. Vaiden and John Bayley, elders, passed in examination of character ; and, on motion of P. A. Peterson, the permission heretofore granted to John Bayley to be absent in England was continued for another year.

James C. Reid, a local preacher of Charlottesville Station ; William R. Cobb, a local preacher of Elizabeth City Station , and Robert A. Armistead, a local elder of Trinity Station, Richmond, recommended by their respective Quarterly Conferences for admission into the traveling connection on trial, passed in examination of character, and were admitted accordingly.

On motion of P. A. Peterson, Henry C. Cheatham was placed on the superannuated list.

The committee appointed to try Z. E. Harrison upon the charges and specifications preferred against him at the last Conference, through their chairman, J. C. Granbery, reported to the Secretary of the Conference, the finding of said committee sustaining the charge and expelling the said Z. E. Harrison from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. (See report "L.")

Thereupon Bishop Wightman pronounced Z. E. Harrison to be expelled from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Paul Whitehead, on behalf of the expelled member, gave notice of his intention, if it shall seem fit to him so to do, to appeal to the next General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

L. M. Lee, from the Committee on Publishing Interests, made a report, which was received, read, and adopted, except the third resolution recommended by the committee, which was indefinitely postponed. (See report "B.")

Bishop Early in the chair.

A communication from W. W. Parker, on behalf of the *Mutual Benevolent Life Association of Richmond, Virginia*, was laid before the Conference and read ; and, on motion of W. W. Bennett, it was

Resolved, That a committee of seven judicious laymen be appointed to consider and report to this body at its next session the best method of promoting the life insurance of the ministers of this Conference.

And then the Conference adjourned.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, November 24, 1868.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Wightman in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by D. P. Wills.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Nelson Head, from the Committee on Foreign Missions, made a report, which was read and adopted, with the exception of the last resolution, which was rejected. (See report "E.")

A. G. Brown presented a series of resolutions on the subject of District Missionary Boards, which, on his motion, were laid on the table for the present.

L. M. Lee, trustee of the legacy of Rev. Daniel Hall, submitted a report of the funds in his possession. (See report "K.")

Nelson Head, from the Committee on Education, presented a report, which was read and adopted, after being amended by the addition of a resolution offered by T. A. Ware. (See report "A.")

On motion, the Bishop was requested to appoint two agents for Randolph Macon College.

On motion of R. M. Smith, Isaac O. Austin was added to the Committee on Ministerial Support.

Leave of absence after to-day was granted to L. M. Lee.

The Chair announced the following laymen to compose the Committee on Life Insurance, ordered by the Conference on yesterday :

John R. Kilby, of Suffolk ; T. L. H. Young and John P. Branch, of Petersburg ; Richard Irby, Wm. Willis, Jr., Asa Snyder and John B. Morton, of Richmond.

Charles H. Hall, an Elder of our church, who located at the session of this Conference held at Danville, November 30th, 1865, applied for readmission into the traveling connection, passed in examination of character and was readmitted accordingly.

The Joint Board of Finance, through Alexander G. Brown, chairman, made a report, which was read and adopted, and the funds distributed. (See Financial Exhibit.)

And then the Conference adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, November 25, 1868.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Wightman in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Robert Michaels.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Robert O. Burton, from the Committee on the Religious wants of the Colored People, made a report, which was read and made the order of the day for eleven o'clock to-day.

James W. Harrison, formerly a local deacon of High Street Station, Petersburg, who was deprived of his credentials by expulsion, produced a certificate of the Quarterly Conference of said station duly signed and countersigned, recommending the restoration of said credentials; and, on motion of E. P. Wilson, it was ordered that they be restored accordingly.

On motion, the Conference took up the resolution offered by P. A. Peterson respecting the change of the time of holding the sessions of our Conference; and, after discussion, it was rejected by a vote of 36 ayes, 60 noes.

On motion,

Resolved, That when the Conference adjourn to-day, it adjourn to meet at half-past three o'clock P. M.

At eleven o'clock the Conference took up the order of the day, viz., the report submitted this morning from the Committee on the Religious wants of the Colored People, which was again read, and with the resolutions recommended, adopted. (See report "C.")

George Nelson, a colored local preacher of Mecklenburg Circuit, was recommended by the Quarterly Conference of that circuit for ordination as a deacon in our church; passed examination of character, and was elected to deacons' orders accordingly.

Talleyrand Grant, a colored local preacher of Farmville Station, and Henderson Goins, a colored local preacher of Albemarle Circuit, were recommended by the Presiding Elders of the Randolph Macon and Charlottesville Districts respectively, as suitable persons to be elected to deacons' orders, passed in examination of character, and with the concurrence and approval of the presiding Bishop, were elected accordingly, said election being subject to the condition that these brethren shall be approved by the Quarterly Conferences of the charges to which they belong.

E. M. Peterson, from the Committee on Sunday Schools, made a report which was read and adopted. (See report "G.")

R. M. Smith, from the Committee on Ministerial Support, made a report, which was read and adopted. (See report "D.")

John E. Edwards offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That having heard the announcement by our brother, Rev. Nelson Head, D. D., of his purpose to sever his connection with the Virginia Conference, by transfer to the Baltimore Conference of the M. E. Church, South, we hereby express to him our profound regret in parting with him as a co-laborer in this Conference; and that we congratulate the Baltimore Conference on the acquisition of so able, devoted, and valuable a minister to their ranks.

And on motion of R. O. Burton, it was

Resolved, That the Baltimore *Episcopal Methodist* be requested to publish the foregoing resolution.

The Conference took up the resolutions offered on yesterday by Alexander G. Brown, proposing amendments to the Constitution of the Board of Domestic Missions of this Conference; when W. W. Bennett offered as a substitute for those resolutions the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the several District Conferences be, and they are hereby instructed to consider and report the number and wants of the missions in the district, to the Domestic Board at the annual Conference.

And then the Conference adjourned to meet at 3½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Early in the chair.

Prayer was offered by F. M. Edwards.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion of L. S. Reid, a certificate of location was granted to W. W. Berry, at his own request.

Jacob Manning, from the committee to receive and digest reports of church property, made a report, which was read and adopted. (See report "I.")

Jacob Manning, from the Committee on Memoirs, presented a report, which was read, adopted, and ordered to be published in the general minutes. (See memoirs.)

The following were appointed to compose the committee ordered this morning to estimate the salary of the superintendent of the work among the colored people.

Clerical.—W. W. Bennett, R. N. Sledd, and P. A. Peterson.

Lay.—Thos. M. Bass, Asa Snyder, and S. M. Shepherd.

The Conference selected Richmond, Virginia, as the place in which to hold its next session.

Esmond A. Gibbs, an elder of our church, who located at the last session of this Conference held in Petersburg, Virginia, November 18, 1867, applied for readmission into the traveling connection, passed in examination of character, and was readmitted accordingly.

Alex. G. Brown, from the Joint Board of Finance, made a report of the amounts received for ministerial support and for the Conference and Bishops' collections, which was read, approved, and ordered to be filed. (See financial report.)

On motion of James Jamieson, the Presiding Elders were requested to co-operate, on their second round of quarterly meetings, with the preachers in raising the amount assessed for the support of the Bishops.

On motion.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Conference be tendered to the ministers and congregations of this town who have given us the use of their churches during the present session.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Conference be tendered to the citizens of Charlottesville and vicinity for the courteous and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of the Conference—composed of a number unusually large of ministers and laymen.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Conference be tendered to the several railroad and steamboat companies who have granted to the members of Conference the privilege of passing over their respective lines at reduced rates.

W. W. Bennett and Wm. Willis, Jr., a committee appointed at the last session to adjust the old debts of the *Richmond Christian Advocate*, made a report, which was read and adopted. (See report "H.")

The statistics of the Conference were reported as follows. (See general statistics.)

The amounts of money collected for missionary purposes were reported as follows. (See report Miss. Sec'y.)

John E. Edwards, from the Board of Domestic Missions of this Conference, presented the annual report of the Board, which was adopted. (See report "F.")

On motion, the Conference proceeded to elect the officers and members of the Board of Domestic Missions for the ensuing year. (See page 2.)

On motion, the President of the Board was requested to draft and transmit to brother D'Arcy Paul, who has resigned his office as Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions of this Conference, a resolution expressive of the high esteem in which he is held by this Conference for his long and faithful labors.

The minutes of the present session were read and approved.
And then the Conference adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY.

THURSDAY, November 26, 1868.

Conference met according to adjournment, Bishop Early in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Jacob Manning.

On motion of E. P. Wilson, Nathaniel Thomas was placed on the supernumerary list; and on motion of J. A. Proctor, W. W. Spain was placed on the same list.

W. W. Bennett, chairman of the committee appointed to estimate the salary of the Superintendent of Religious wants of Colored People, reported one thousand dollars as the sum fixed on by the committee.

On motion of P. A. Peterson, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to Bishop William M. Wightman for the dignified, efficient, and courteous manner in which he has presided over our deliberations.

Resolved, That we are gratified at the presence of the venerable Bishop John Early among us, and highly appreciate his efforts to promote the prosperity of our Conference and the church.

The minutes of this morning's session were read and approved.

The presiding Bishop then announced the appointments for the ensuing year, after which the benediction was pronounced and the Conference adjourned *sine die*.

WM. M. WIGHTMAN,

PAUL WHITEHEAD, *Secretary*.

President.

III.

LAY DELEGATES.

RICHMOND DISTRICT.

Jeff. W. Stubbs, Gloucester Court House,
Virginia.
S. D. Turner, Richmond, Virginia.
Asa Snyder, Richmond, Virginia.
Isaac O. Austin, Richmond, Virginia.

CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

E. B. Brown, Free Union, Albemarle
county, Virginia.
Dr. S. M. Shepherd, Greenwood, Albe-
marle county, Virginia.
F. S. West, Travillian's, Louisa county,
Virginia.
W. G. Clarke, Union Mills, Fluvanna
county, Virginia.

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

Jacob H. Robinson, Lynchburg, Va.
Thomas M. Bass, Nebraska, Appomat-
tox county, Virginia.
Thomas Whitehead, Amherst C. H., Va.
*Ro. C. Mitchell, Liberty, Va.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

*S. B. Major, South Boston, Virginia.
*W. T. Sutherlin, Danville, Virginia.
*W. B. McGilvray, Danville, Virginia.
*W. T. Ballou, News Ferry, Halifax
county, Virginia.

RANDOLPH MACON DISTRICT.

William M. Gill, Crimea, Dinwiddie
county, Virginia.
Rev. R. E. G. Adams, Amelia Court
House, Virginia.

RANDOLPH MACON DISTRICT.

Thos. M. Leach, New Canton, Bucking-
ham county, Virginia.
Wm. W. Webb, Lunenburg C. H., Va.

PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

*D'Arcy Paul, Petersburg, Virginia.
*R. Bagby, Petersburg, Virginia.
R. M. Smith, Ashland, Hanover county,
Virginia.
Dr. J. A. Wingfield, Stony Creek, Sussex
county, Virginia.

MURFREESBORO DISTRICT.

John R. Kilby, Suffolk, Nansemond
county, Virginia.
*Rev. J. L. Chamberlain, South Mills,
North Carolina.
*James M. Whidbee, Elizabeth City,
North Carolina.
*Jesse T. Yates, Murfreesboro, N. C.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Robt. D. Cutherell, Portsmouth, Va.
J. C. Deming, Norfolk, Virginia.
Hugh A. Jackson, Salisbury, Md.
Levi D. Travers, Taylor's Island, Dor-
chester county, Maryland.

RAPPAHANNOCK DISTRICT.

*Samuel Downing, Lancaster C. H., Va.
*W. T. Chandler, Bowling Green, Caro-
line county, Virginia.
T. W. Garrett, King & Queen C. H., Va.
Dr. Jos. S. Dejarnette, Partlow's, Caro-
line county, Virginia.

*Absent.

IV.

VISITORS INTRODUCED.

Rev. Thomas E. Bond, M. D.,	-	-	-	-	-	Baltimore Conference.
Rev. Wm. E. Munsey, D. D.,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. J. Poisal, D. D.,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. G. G. Brooke,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. Dabney Ball,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. J. L. Clarke,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. J. H. Meredith,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. W. A. Harris,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. Dr. Taylor,	-	-	-	-	-	Secretary American Bible Society.
Rev. Dr. Baird,	-	-	-	-	-	Agent Virginia Bible Society.
Rev. Dr. W. F. Broaddus,	-	-	-	-	-	Baptist Church.
Rev. J. C. Long,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. W. P. Farrish,	-	-	-	-	-	" "
Rev. Dr. W. H. McGuffey,	-	-	-	-	-	University of Virginia.
Rev. Edgar Woods,	-	-	-	-	-	Presbyterian Church.

V. R E P O R T S .

EDUCATION.—“A.”

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Education beg leave to report as follows : The education of the youth of our land on Christian principles, must be regarded by every member of this body as of the gravest importance. A conference of Methodist preachers at this day surely needs no argument to persuade them of this fact. For more than thirty years Randolph Macon College has been our chief reliance for the liberal education of our sons. She has accomplished work in her long and brilliant career, and has conferred priceless blessings on the church and civil society, by sending forth from her halls a large number of young men with consecrated learning to fill positions of honor and usefulness in both church and State. When this college was instituted, there were no railroads in this State. And when the lines of railroad were established, it was left so remote from these great thoroughfares as seriously to embarrass its operations and prevent its success. This difficulty has pressed heavily upon the friends of the college for a long time ; efforts have been made, and expressions of the opinion of this Conference given, from time to time, looking to the removal of the college from Mecklenburg county to a more eligible location. In the meantime, the beautiful and healthy village of Ashland, in Hanover county, Virginia, offered inducements so strong as to fix the eyes of the friends of Randolph Macon on that place. And, at an unusually large meeting of the trustees of the institution, held at the college in Mecklenburg, in June last, it was determined by a large majority to remove the college to Ashland if they could obtain authority to do so. That authority was obtained, and the college has been removed to Ashland. Sorrow filled all hearts, and some eyes were moistened with tears in parting from the old consecrated halls and grounds. But stern necessity seemed to demand that the separation should take place, if the trustees would carry out the great trust committed to them.

On the first day of October last, the first session of Randolph Macon at its new location, was opened under encouraging auspices. The beautiful grounds were made alive by lighthearted young men, who had bent their eager, pleasant, and rapid way to this time-honored institution, in search of a Christian education. The faculty was selected with great care, and, we think, time will prove, with great wisdom. In all respects, they are worthy of the entire confidence of the public. Dr. Duncan, the President of the College, is widely and favorably known in the country, and possesses high and peculiar qualifications for his office. The college premises are attractive to the eye, well adapted to the comfort of students, exceedingly healthy, and accessible from all directions by railroad. Here, then, to the great joy of many hearts, our people and the community at large may find every facility for the liberal and Christian education of their sons. And now all that is needed, under the blessing of God, to give Randolph Macon a new career of usefulness more brilliant than its past, is, that all its friends in this and other patronizing Conferences should give to it their prompt and liberal support, by contributing their money and furnishing it with students.

There are three Female Colleges under the patronage of this Conference. The Wesleyan Female College, in Murfreesboro', N. C. The Rev. Paul Whitehead, with his well known energy, tact, and ability, presides over this institution. Its present number of students is between seventy-five and eighty, a sufficient number to pay current expenses.

There is also a Female College in Petersburg of high grade, of which Richard Jones, late professor of Randolph Macon College is President. With such a president this college must prosper. It has now about eighty pupils.

Dr. J. C. Blackwell has lately become the President of the Danville Female College, and his wide and well-deserved fame as an educator, must largely contribute to the success of this institution. It is cause of thankfulness to God that these institutions have survived the desolations of war, and are now in a condition so favorable for meeting the wants of our people in respect to the education of their daughters.

Your committee recommend for adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved 1st. That the removal of Randolph Macon College from its old site in Mecklenburg county, Virginia, to its new locality at Ashland, Hanover county, Virginia, meets with, and hereby receives, the most decided and entire approval of this Conference.

Resolved 2d. That our preachers and people be, and are hereby earnestly requested and urged, to give to the agents of Randolph Macon College their cordial and liberal support and co-operation.

Resolved 3d. That we regard the present faculty of the college as one of the ablest in the land, and eminently worthy of the entire confidence of all who have sons or wards to educate, and that we hereby pledge them our warmest co-operation in sustaining the college.

Resolved 4th. That we recommend to the respective patronizing communities, as well as to our people at large, the Wesleyan Female College at Murfreesboro', North Carolina, the Petersburg, and the Danville Female Colleges as worthy of their confidence and support.

Resolved 5th. That we believe, however, that Wesleyan Female College, at Murfreesboro', North Carolina, is not only in itself eminently deserving our patronage, but that in view of the fact that it is our only Conference institution built by the liberality of our people, and managed in the interest of no individual or corporate body, but of the Conference and the church, it is our duty and our interest to give to it our heartiest support.

Respectfully submitted,

N. HEAD, *Chairman.*

PUBLISHING INTERESTS.—“B.”

The Committee on the Publishing Interests of the Church, having had the communications from the publishing house at Nashville referred to them; and having given to the matters contained in them their calm and careful consideration, beg leave to submit, as the result of their reflections, the following report :

Your committee desire to express their sincere gratification at the present condition, and prospective prosperity and usefulness of our publishing house. They find that the business of the house is conducted on purely commercial principles, the only plan of operations that can generate business and guarantee success. The well matured plans of the agent, guided by his well known energy and enterprise, are giving efficiency to the measures of the church for the increase and diffusion of religious knowledge and literature. Under his faithful and zealous management we may confidently hope for a long and brightening future of prosperity and success to perpetuate and crown the establishment.

But your committee, while rejoicing at the profitable results of the past, and the promising prospects of the future history of our publishing house, are pained to think, and feel compelled to say, that, as a Conference, representing a large and important section of the church, we are contributing comparatively very little, if anything, towards these gratifying results. We are so remote from the establish-

ment; we have been so impoverished by the war; our destitution is so great, that we find, in our present circumstances, co-operation almost impracticable. Our needs clamor for a relief that our condition does not allow us to supply. We need our religious books—our own church literature. The wastes of time, the ravages of war, the zeal with which our libraries were despoiled to meet the mental and spiritual wants of our soldiers, have bereft us and our homes of these cherished and sacred treasures. How gladly would we see the old books in their old places. But we have little hope of the sight, unless some new or more practicable arrangement can be made by which these wastes can be supplied. We are too poor to buy for cash, and too independent to ask for credit. Yet, if these books were within easy and convenient reach, we might, by slow and gradual accumulations, refill our shelves, and again grow familiar with the forms and faces of these friends of the former days and better times.

Your committee have given anxious thought to this subject. They can suggest no better means of relief than the establishment among us of some agency by which we may come into closer and freer relations with our publishing house. If such an arrangement, as we will presently recommend, could be made, it would greatly relieve our needs, and, we think, increase the trade and augment the profits of the publishing house.

Your committee have also considered the proposition, from the same source, as to the necessity of publishing the Minutes of the Annual Conferences, and we cordially admit the importance of the subject, and commend their proposition to the favorable co-operation of the Conference.

In conclusion, as embodying our opinions on the several subjects brought under our consideration, we beg leave to submit the resolutions following for such action as to the Conference may seem to be proper or necessary:

1. *Resolved*, That the Rev. W. W. Bennett, D. D., be, and he is hereby requested, to enter into correspondence with our general agent at Nashville to ascertain whether any, and if any, what arrangements can be made for the supplying of our people with the publications of our church, from the city of Richmond, and in connexion with the *Richmond Christian Advocate* or its editor as agent.

2. *Resolved*, That we recommend to the ministers and members of our church, within our Conference, the propriety of securing the publication of the general minutes by personally subscribing for at least two copies of the same.

4. *Resolved*, That the *Richmond Christian Advocate*, so long and favorably related to this Conference, and so well conducted, is entitled to and deserves the confidence and fostering care of our ministers and people; that we cordially commend it to all, and promise our cheerful aid in extending its circulation and promoting its interests.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. LEE, *Chairman*.

NOTE.—The third resolution referred to on page 13 of the Journal, is omitted from the above report.

RELIGIOUS WANTS OF THE COLORED PEOPLE.—“C.”

The committee appointed to consider what plan should be adopted by this body to meet the obligations imposed by the Great Head of the Church on us to provide, to the extent of our influence, for the religious instruction of the colored race in the bounds of the Virginia Conference, have given this subject their prayerful consideration, feeling that it is one of grave importance, and worthy of your wisest action. Your action will affect the spiritual condition of a very large class of society, apparently committed, in some sort, to us. We cannot overlook the fact that these people are among us, a part of our society, and, in contact with them we shall be brought daily, it may be for some time to come. Their souls have been redeemed by the blood of Jesus; and his command to us who preach is, to do so to “all nations.” We must not transfer this work to other hands if allowed

to perform it. To neglect it, we fear, would be to sin. The pure standard of our society invokes us to step forth to the aid of these people, suddenly divorced from a former relation to the other class of society, unfurnished with spiritual guides, and no capacity as yet to walk alone. We need not suggest to this intelligent body of ministers and laymen, how the well meaning, ignorant man may become the dupe of the designing, the tool of the vicious, and the victim of the depraved. Many of the colored people were members of our church—many are now. It is apparent to us, your committee, from all the information we have obtained, that Providence now opens the door through which we should promptly enter, to gather as many as we may into the church. Various causes have led many, who were once “of us,” into other communions, and they are now served by strange pastors, with whose modes of thinking and acting neither we nor their flocks have been familiar.

We rejoice that Christ has been preached to them; but we will rejoice the more as we shall return from the mountains bearing on our shoulders the “lost sheep.” We thank God that other States have succeeded in organizing Conferences for this people, and that many colored ministers and members stand up now in our church “clothed and in their minds.” *Minds* disabused of error, and with hearts renewed in their attachment to us, who led the van in calling them to Christ. Shall we pause, while God invites and commands us to act, and society implores us to lead these people to that holiness which fits man, of every color and clime, for his duties on earth and his reward and home in heaven?

We submit, for adoption, the subjoined resolutions, viz. :

1. That the necessary steps be taken at this session to organize, as soon as practicable, an annual Conference for colored people, to be called the “Virginia Conference of the Colored People,” over which our Bishops, for the present, shall preside, as provided by the Discipline.
2. That the presiding Bishop is hereby requested to appoint a superintendent, whose duty it shall be to take steps preliminary to the organization of this Conference, and encourage and promote in every way his wisdom may suggest, the intellectual and religious culture of the colored people in the limits of this Conference.
3. That the salary and expenses of the superintendent shall be paid by the Board of Domestic Missions of this Conference.
4. That the superintendent may collect missionary funds from the colored people and others to assist in paying the amount of his salary and expenses.
5. That a committee of three laymen and three ministers, now present attending as delegates or members of this body, shall fix the salary of the superintendent and report the same to the Board of Domestic Missions of this Conference.
6. That Bishop Early be, and he is respectfully requested (with the concurrence of Bishop Wightman), to organize the Colored Conference provided for in these resolutions, and occupy as much of his time as practicable in aiding the superintendent in his labors; and that Bishop Wightman be, and is hereby requested, to give this work, as far as other duties will permit, the benefit of his presence and labors; and, furthermore, that the presiding elders and ministers of this Conference are requested to co-operate cordially with them.

R. O. BURTON, *Chairman*.

Report of same committee on Communication from Emmanuel African M. E. Church, of Portsmouth, Virginia:

Your committee to whom was referred the application from Portsmouth, Virginia, for a transfer of the house of worship in that city to the Emmanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church, recommend that their prayer be not granted.

R. O. BURTON, *Chairman*.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.—“D.”

The Committee on Ministerial Support beg leave to report the following: The committee have made due inquiry into the manner in which the ministers on our several charges had been supported during the past year; and also into the operation of the plan adopted by the Conference at its session in 1867, with a view to recommend such modifications or additions as might appear expedient. For information on these points, the committee had recourse to the reports ordered by the last annual Conference in these words:

Resolved, “That we consider it an especial duty of the Presiding Elders to look after the temporal interests of the churches and of the pastors under their oversight; and that they be required to present reports, in writing, at the commencement of each annual Conference, showing the condition of the finances of their respective districts; the manner in which the financial plans of the Discipline and of the Conference have been executed; the deficiencies, if any, in the salaries of the ministers and the causes thereof, and whether any neglect of duty is chargeable on the ministers or the lay officials.”

The reports furnished to us were from the Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Petersburg, Danville, Murfreesboro’, Randolph Macon, Norfolk, and Rappahannock Districts. From the Richmond District we had no report.

These reports of the Presiding Elders were found full of valuable information and suggestions, just such as the committee needed. It is to be regretted that we were left without like information, and the benefit of similar suggestions, based upon observation and experience, from the remaining districts.

So far as we have been thus able to ascertain, the ministry has been better supported the last year than during the preceding. In some districts, particularly the Norfolk and Rappahannock, the improvement was marked and gratifying.

It remains to be deplored, however, that there is a large deficiency in the aggregate amount assessed, and that many worthy ministers have fallen so far short of receiving the sum assessed as necessary for their support, as to be involved in serious distress. Some of the causes assigned by the elders, as in their judgment producing this result, are providential, and can only be patiently endured. Prominent among these is the poverty of the people which prevents contributions from many who are liberally inclined. As far as this difficulty is real, the committee can only urge the ministers to restrict their demands as far as possible to the ability of their charges, and to ask no more than a very economical support. But the committee are convinced that, with a system of universal contributions, the membership on almost all of our charges could comfortably support their pastors without oppressive burdens to any; and the duty of thus supporting them, should be diligently taught and enjoined.

Another cause for deficits on our stations is one that admits of remedy: It is the frequent neglect of stewards to give to their duties the time and zeal required for their proper execution. So far as the voice of the committee can reach these brethren, they would respectfully urge upon them the vital necessity of diligent, patient, and adequate attention to their trust, that our ministers may be sustained and encouraged in their great work. So extreme is the necessity of having active and efficient men as stewards, that the committee recommend the subject as worthy of the earnest and constant attention of the Quarterly Conferences.

A great cause of diminished contributions is a lack of pastoral visitation. Too much is often expected of our ministers in this respect; but a compliance even with extreme demands is very important to our finances.

The committee earnestly recommend that the financial recommendation or plan adopted at the last session of the annual Conference, be further adhered to, and remain as the law of the Conference. It simply provided that the system of assessment should be presented, and, in the name of the Conference, recommended to the members of each church or congregation, such assessment to be made at the earliest practicable day; and it prescribed means for securing a proper attention to the subject.

The reports of the Presiding Elders, to which we have already referred, represent that this recommendation, though as yet only partially accepted, has worked advantageously. Those districts in which the plan of assessment has been most largely introduced, can claim, we believe, much the larger part of the improvement in the financial returns. There is a prejudice widely, but not numerously, entertained, which interferes in some measure with its more rapid adoption. Some members permit themselves to regard it as *a tax*; whereas, it is simply a means of distributing among brethren the burden of a common duty, in fair and equitable proportion to their several circumstances and abilities. Surely, no one willing to contribute his fair share, can regard this as oppressive! But it does not prevent any one from determining his own contribution; nor does it reject the offerings of those brethren whose liberality prompts them to enlarge their contributions. It is but the recommendation of the Conference to the various bands of brethren under its oversight, to divide among them, on fair and generous principles, the weight of a common obligation. It is believed that as the plan is better understood, the objections will cease to be heard; and it is earnestly hoped that the advantage of having some uniformity of action will induce even such as may remain unconvinced to withhold their opposition.

It is essential to the efficient operation of this plan (or indeed any other) that its application be commenced on every circuit and station within the early days of the Conference year, say not more than ten days after the adjournment of the Conference for the district stewards' meeting, and within a month for the stations and circuits. The Conference year commences at a period when money begins to be most plentiful on most of the pastoral charges. It ends at a time when it is most scarce. To postpone the collections, from the first to the last of the Conference year, not only therefore exposes the pastor to much inconvenience in the interim, but can scarcely fail to diminish the gross amount. The sums agreed to be paid by the respective members should be solicited either in advance, or in not fewer, in any case, than quarterly instalments.

Finally, the committee urge upon the Conference the importance of requiring a faithful and efficient execution of its plan for securing the support of its ministry.

The end sought is of the deepest importance, and is worthy of our most anxious effort. The efficacy of proposed expedients can only be tested by experience. Whatever is determined on, should have a fair trial. If unavailing, then let it give place to some other. But the wisest measures of the Conference will prove abortive without its own intelligent and faithful oversight. A regulation not universally obeyed, soon falls into general neglect. The committee are firmly convinced that, while the duties imposed on ministers and laymen are essential, without the active agency of the Presiding Elders as contemplated in the resolution of the last annual Conference already recited, neither the present nor any other financial system can work any large or permanent advantage; and that without the written report required by the same resolution, no tangible or salutary responsibility will attach to the neglect of the wishes or commands of the Conference. In such case it is not difficult to foresee the speedy failure of the effort now making by the Conference to remove or lessen the distressing evils of inadequate ministerial support.

R. M. SMITH, *Chairman.*

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—“E.”

The committee to whom was referred the subject of our Foreign Missions, beg leave to make the following report: A church, without foreign missions, while such extensive and thickly populated fields in heathen lands spread out before our vision, urgently inviting Christian enterprise and toil in behalf of perishing millions of our race, should be regarded as an anomaly in Christendom. It is a source of painful regret that our church has done so little in this direction. We have but two foreign missions. One in China and the other among the Indians of the far west. Our Indian Mission suffered greatly by the late war. We have in this field five white missionaries and fifteen native preachers. These men labor

among the Cherokees, Creeks, Choctaws, and Chickasaws, the four tribes numbering about fifty thousand souls. Our church membership is about two thousand. Gracious revivals have extended throughout our Indian Mission Conference. In some places our membership has been more than doubled within the last four months. The venerable superintendent, Rev. John Harrell, says: "During a residence of thirty-seven years in this frontier, I have never seen the church in a better condition." How should intelligence like this excite our gratitude to God, and stimulate the Conference and our people to redoubled zeal and liberality in support of this mission?

Under the providence of God, China is now a more inviting field of missionary enterprise than ever before. We are told by our acting secretary that "the old barriers are broken down, and that the missionaries now have unembarrassed access to every part of that vast empire. Officers of government are inquiring for our books and attending our chapels. The native churches are growing rapidly, and that by a higher class of society than heretofore. Our missionary debt has been reduced this year some nine thousand dollars. Upon the whole, our foreign missions, though few, have been owned of God, and have received the seal of his blessing, in making them instrumental in extending the Messiah's Kingdom.

Since the war, our desolations and poverty at home have been so great as to absorb nearly all of our missionary resources. But now the time has come when we should look to the regions beyond and more largely contribute to the increase and support of our foreign missions.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved That our preachers should carefully inform themselves on the subject of our foreign missions, that they may be able to present this cause the more efficiently to their several congregations.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

NELSON HEAD, *Chairman.*

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.—"F."

The Board of Domestic Missions of the Virginia Conference regret that they are not prepared to make a more satisfactory report of their operations, in the bounds of the Virginia Conference, during the past year. They, nevertheless, are grateful to God for any measure of success which has crowned their labors in the limited field to which their operations have been restricted. With the design of correcting and abating the evils consequent on the excessive appropriations of the previous year, the Board, at the last session of the Conference, discontinued several of the missions which had been in operation, and made appropriations for the benefit of the few that were continued, but slightly in excess of the funds actually in the hands of the treasurer at the close of the last Conference. The following missions comprise all that were retained and recommended by the Board, namely: Rocketts and Sidney missions in the city of Richmond; Hampton and Fox Hill mission in the Richmond District; Lynchburg city mission; Piedmont mission in the Charlottesville District; the Prince George mission in the Petersburg District; the Currituck mission in the Murfreesboro' District; the Amherst colored mission in the Lynchburg District; and the mission to the German population in the several cities in the bounds of the Conference. For these several missions appropriations were made by the Conference on the recommendation of the Board, as follows: Rocketts, \$300; Sidney, \$300; Hampton and Fox Hill, \$150; Piedmont, \$100; Prince George, \$100; and Currituck, \$100. Total, \$1,050.

The Lynchburg city mission was left to be sustained by the churches in Lynchburg, and the Amherst colored mission to be supported by the Amherst circuit, without any appropriations from the Board.

Drafts have been made on the treasury up to this date as follows: In favor of Rocketts, \$300; in favor of Sidney, \$300; in favor of Piedmont, \$100; in favor of Prince George, \$100; in favor of Currituck, \$100. Total, \$900. The drafts exceeded the amount of funds in the treasurer's hands by about \$300.

This excess has been provided for by domestic mission funds in the hands of the preachers contiguous to the missionaries in whose favor the drafts were drawn.

No drafts were made in favor of Hampton and Fox Hill mission for the reason that the Presiding Elder of the Richmond District was not able to procure the services of a missionary for this field of labor.

From this exhibit it will be seen that the Board has made a very economical use of the domestic mission funds. And this has been done, as before stated, with the object of bringing back our missionary operations to the original plan of limiting the appropriations to the amount of money actually in the hands of the treasurer at the close of the annual session of the Conference.

The detail of our missionary operations for the past year furnishes the following particulars, which are worthy of note:

Rocketts Mission.—This mission is situated on the eastern limit of the city of Richmond, and embraces a field in which there is a growing population. It has been supplied during the year by the Rev. Robert A. Armistead, who has devoted his time and labors most assiduously and untiringly to his work. During the year brother Armistead has raised \$430, which has been applied to church repairs. In his report he says: "The mission is in a promising condition. The Sabbath school numbers one hundred and twenty scholars, eleven teachers, and seven officers. The church is in an improving state, exerts a fine influence, and bids fair, at no distant day, to be self-sustaining."

Sidney Mission.—This mission is situated in the western and southwestern suburbs of Richmond. It has been in charge of Rev. Jas. H. Crown, who has labored earnestly and faithfully in the work assigned him by the Conference. In his report to the Board he says: "I consider the mission in a favorable condition. In several respects there has been considerable improvement during the year. The congregation is more than *double* the number of last year. The Sabbath school is in a prosperous condition. The spiritual condition of the church is favorable."

What has heretofore been known as *The Petersburg City Mission*, has been merged into the city stations, the several chapels being bracketted with the charges most convenient to them respectively, and the membership and other statistics reported through the pastors of these charges. The congregations worshipping at the mission chapels have been faithfully served by local preachers without any appropriations from the funds of the Mission Board.

The Lynchburg City Mission is one that is just now opening a promising and inviting field. This mission is under the management of a Local Mission Board in Lynchburg, composed of an equal number of laymen chosen from the two Methodist churches in the city, together with the pastors of the churches, and the Presiding Elder of the district. All the money raised by the two churches in the city for domestic mission purposes, is, by resolution of the Conference, applied to the mission. Steps have been taken to build two mission chapels—one in the village of Madison, on the Amherst side of the river, opposite the city, and the other at the Lynchburg rolling mills, about four miles up the river from the city. Funds are now being raised to carry out the work. In the village of Madison a lot has been donated by a liberal gentleman on which to build the chapel, together with a fifty dollar subscription to aid in the work. A Sunday school is in operation at this point.

The Rolling Mills Company have generously donated a lot for a chapel at the mills, and appropriated three hundred dollars to aid in rearing the building. The operatives and others have subscribed liberally in aid of this movement, and we hope very soon to have a house ready for the Sunday school of forty children already in operation, and for the regular public religious services. A class of fourteen members has been organized at the mills; and prayer meetings, with occasional preaching by visiting ministers, are held weekly in private houses.

Piedmont Mission.—This mission is situated in the mountain region of Madison county. It was served during the past year by the Rev. J. F. Finnell, who also acted as colporteur of the American Tract Society. He reports four houses of worship belonging to our church estimated at \$1,500. He further expresses the opinion that the mission field may be enlarged, and, if properly served by a faithful minister, may soon become a self-supporting circuit.

The *Currituck Mission* has been served by the Rev. Banister H. Jarvis, who has labored faithfully in his charge. Amount raised on the mission for current expenses \$251.55. The Board recommend the continuance of this mission.

The *Dan River Mission* was not recognized as such by the Board at the last session of our Conference, but was supplied through the Presiding Elder with the valuable services of the Rev. D. F. Hodges, who also acted as colporteur of the American Tract Society. He says the mission field contains an area of about five hundred square miles, in which there is only one regular day school. During the year he has organized and kept up nine Sabbath schools, with an average of seventy scholars, officers, and teachers to each school. The Board have recognized this as one of the Conference missions with the hope of being able to supply it in the future, so that the labor bestowed upon it and the results attained may not be lost to the church.

The Rev. E. N. S. Blogg, appointed to labor among the German population in the principal cities within the bounds of the Conference, reports that he has visited Petersburg once, Norfolk four times, Lynchburg once, and Richmond once; that on the occasion of these several visits he has preached to the German population, visited their families, and baptized nine children. He has performed this service without any remuneration from the Board, and we recommend his continuance as a laborer in this mission field. It is proper to say that brother Blogg resides in the city of Baltimore, and when at home he preaches regularly every Sabbath.

Smith River and *Flint Hill Circuits*, in the bounds of the Danville District, are properly mission fields, but were not so recognized at the last Conference. Besides these there are a number of other circuits which are entirely unable to afford a competent support to a pastor.

Gosport, on the eastern limits of Portsmouth, in the Norfolk District, is properly a mission, and has strong claims upon the Board. But, for the want of money, the Board cannot make adequate appropriations to these several missions.

The *Amherst Colored Mission* is prospering and doing well. It has been sustained during the year without any appropriations from the Mission Board, and has been served by the Rev. J. Powell Garland, pastor of the Amherst Circuit. The Board wishes hereby to express their high appreciation of his services in supervising this colored mission.

The Board is of the opinion that the appropriations for the aid of the domestic missions recognized by the Conference should not exceed the amount of funds in the treasurer's hands at the close of the Conference session. The times are exceedingly precarious and unsettled, and it is hazardous to make appropriations in excess of our funds, and to make drafts which the treasurer cannot pay.

The Board very heartily approves of the plan adopted by the churches in Lynchburg, in reference to the city mission, and would earnestly recommend the adoption of this plan by the churches in Richmond and Petersburg, and in other places where the usage may be made to apply. We allude to the support of the city missions by the city churches. Local Boards might be formed in Richmond and Petersburg, for example, as has been done in Lynchburg, taking charge of the mission work in these cities, respectively, with the privilege of employing all the domestic mission funds raised in the churches of the city in the service and support of the city missions. The adoption of this plan would relieve the Conference domestic mission fund from a heavy tax, and would stimulate the churches in the rural districts to increased liberality in their contributions to the fund, since all the money raised in the circuits could thereby be appropriated to the missions in the destitute sections of the country. The plan in the long run would inure to the advantage of our domestic mission work both in the cities and in the country.

The Board recommend the following domestic missionary appropriations for the ensuing year: Rocketts, \$200; Sidney, \$200; Prince George, \$100; Currituck, \$100; Piedmont, \$50; Culpeper, \$400; Second Street, Portsmouth, \$200; Goochland, \$75; King George, \$100; Rappahannock, \$50; Dan River, \$150; Ringgold, \$100; Flint River, \$100; Big Island, \$250; Orange, \$50; work among colored people of Virginia Conference, \$300.

JOHN E. EDWARDS, *Chairman*.

NOTE.—For number of members, Sunday school scholars, &c., in the several missions, see statistics of Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—“G.”

The committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to submit the following report: Your committee refer with much pleasure to the fact that the statistics reported at this Conference show a manifest improvement in our Sunday school work. This improvement has been marked by a considerable increase in the number of scholars enrolled, by the organization of schools where none have existed for years, and by an increased liberality on the part of our people for the support of the Sunday school cause. We may safely affirm that no period in the history of our Conference has been characterized by as much zeal and energy in behalf of Sunday schools, both on the part of our ministers and laymen, as the present. We are behind no denomination in the State in this great work. Twenty-two thousand children are gathered under our Sunday school banner, and the ranks are continually swelling with new recruits.

The suspension of Sunday schools during the winter months is a serious evil, which we should endeavor by all means to remedy. If bad roads and severe weather prevent the children from assembling at the church, because of its distance from their homes, where it can be done, let a few families contiguous to each other bring their children together at one of their own houses. There are but few communities where there could not be collected together more than ten children to form a Sabbath school in the house.

In many of the schools reported there appears to be a great deficiency in point of organization, many of them having no other officer than a superintendent, while according to the judgment of your committee there should be one superintendent, assistant superintendent, secretary, treasurer, and librarian in every school; the last three named offices may be united so as to be filled by one or two persons when deemed necessary. There also appears to be a deficiency in some of the schools with regard to the number and character of books in libraries. In a few cases schools are reported without any library at all; in others, the number of volumes reported are by no means adequate to the wants of the school; while numbers of volumes are selected without any regard to their religious character. These things ought not so to be. To a child one of the main features of attractiveness in a Sabbath school is a good library. It is an indispensable adjunct of a prosperous and efficient Sabbath school organization. Well selected books are little buckets with which the children are to draw water from the wells of salvation. They are glasses through which the children may look in order to see Jesus. Let the Sabbath school hive be well stored with the honey of a sound religious literature. A few dollars will purchase it; let no Sabbath school be without it. We urge the officers of our Sabbath schools to keep the children well supplied with books. Select such books as the children will read, and the reading of which will make them wise unto salvation.

Inefficient teaching is one of the greatest evils in our Sabbath school work. This inefficiency is mainly attributable to the want of preparation on the part of the teacher for the work of teaching the young. Realizing the important character of the work which he has undertaken, the Sabbath school teacher should study to prepare himself for it. Having a clear perception of the one fundamental design of the whole engagement, and that is to carry the message of salvation to the souls of the children for whom Christ died, the teacher should make the subject of the lesson a matter of previous, earnest, conscientious, and effective study. It is a vital duty of a teacher to come before his class with a studied lesson.

Your committee think that the want of a uniform system of teaching in our Sabbath schools is another cause of inefficient teaching. We recommend the study of the same lesson by all the scholars on the same Sabbath; and where it can be done the formation of all the teachers into a class for the review of the lesson previous to teaching it. The Memphis system (adopted by the Sabbath School Society within the bounds of our Conference) is arranged and admirably adapted to this plan of teaching. We recommend it to our schools.

Your committee cannot close this report without expressing their firm conviction that the Sabbath school is the surest and most effective agency for building up and sustaining the church that ever existed, or that can be instituted, except the preaching of the gospel. As an institution for religious instruction it derives

importance and challenges the co-operation of all Christians, from the fact that it combines all gospel agencies for the salvation of souls. There the Word of God is expounded, prayer and praise ascend to God, and the most healthful religious influences are brought to bear on the young heart ere sin has hardened it, or evil companionship, like the coils of a serpent, has wound itself around it. The Sabbath school, under God's blessing, furnishes the most promising agency with which the church is to resist and turn back the fearful tide of irreligion which is sweeping over our land. Unless unprecedented grace be poured out, the present generation of the adult ungodly will die as they are living; for the most part our hope is with their children. We must seize humanity and bring it to Christ before it becomes fixed in sin. And this is no modern discovery. It is God's ancient and perpetual plan. He said to Moses, "These words which I command thee this day shall be in thy heart and thou shalt teach them unto thy children." David declares that "The Lord established a law in Jacob and a testimony in Israel, that they might teach them to their children, that they might set their hope in God and not forget his works." On childhood as such Jesus laid his hands and set his heart. Let the church, then, filled with the Spirit of her Divine Head, obey his commands to feed his lambs, and gather them in large numbers into his fold. And let Sabbath school teachers not look upon their work as a drudgery, for it is the work of saving souls. They constitute the spartan band who stand at the pass of the moral Thermopylæ of the world to hold in check until the gospel shall subdue them, the more than Xerxean hosts of the vicious.

Let, then, our ministers and people, duly estimating the importance of this great work, prosecute it with renewed diligence and energy, knowing that the church which slights or neglects it, is doomed to wane in power and to incur the displeasure of Heaven.

Your committee unite with the Executive Committee of the State Society in requesting the Bishop to appoint an agent to superintend the Sabbath school work within the bounds of our Conference.

E. M. PETERSON, *Chairman.*

OLD DEBTS OF THE RICHMOND CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.—"H."

The committee appointed at the last session of the Conference to ascertain what could be done towards adjusting the old debts of the *Richmond Christian Advocate*, beg leave to report that they have given their attention to this matter, and have to report that negotiation is now pending with the assignee of Mr. Charles H. Wynne, by which they hope to reduce the debt due him for printing the *Advocate* by more than one-half the original amount. They have also corresponded with the house of Jessup & Moore, of Philadelphia, in reference to the debt due them for paper. This firm have agreed to reduce the debt due them from \$800, with interest for, say eight years, to \$750. These are the best terms the committee have been able to make with these parties. The proposition of the assignee of Mr. Wynne we regard as a very liberal one, and that of Messrs. Jessup & Moore is, perhaps, as liberal as we have any reason to expect.

W. W. BENNETT,
W. WILLIS, JR.

CHURCH PROPERTY.—"I."

The committee to whom was referred the reports from the respective pastoral charges upon the subject of Church Property, respectfully beg leave to report that the information which they have been enabled to collect is from so very small a number of these charges that it is deemed unnecessary to present an abstract of them. From the secretary of the Conference we have secured the following statistics: Number of parsonages reported, 28; estimated value, \$60,900. Number of churches, 442; estimated value, \$715,835.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JACOB MANNING, *Chairman.*

LEGACY OF REV. DANIEL HALL.—“K.”

The undersigned, trustee under the will of the Rev. Daniel Hall, in the absence of his co-trustee, the Rev. Bishop Doggett, submits the following as his annual report of the funds in his possession, and of the produce for the year ending November, 1868:

1. Principal in Virginia State Bonds,	-	-	-	-	-	\$1,000 00
2. Interest bond issued January, 1866.	-	-	-	-	-	100 00
3. Interest bond issued January, 1867,	-	-	-	-	-	30 00
4. Coupons for unpaid interest,	-	-	-	-	-	20 00
5. Cash interest collected January, 1868, -	-	-	-	-	-	20 00
6. Interest ten months on \$20.00,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
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						\$1,171 00
Less by cash paid to Joint Board of Finance this day,	-	-	-	-	-	21 00
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Balance on hand,	-	-	-	-	-	\$1,150 00

All which is respectfully submitted,

LEROY M. LEE.

Charlottesville, Virginia, November 24, 1868.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE IN THE CASE OF REV. Z. E. HARRISON, WHO WAS ARRAIGNED ON THE FOLLOWING CHARGE AND SPECIFICATIONS.—“L.”

Charge. Lying.

1st specification. In saying, on the 15th day of May, 1867, in the village of Stanardsville, Greene county, Virginia, that he had lost or mislaid a certain contract referred to in his trial, and when the presiding officer proposed to give him time to look it up or find it, he promptly drew from his pocket the paper.

2d specification. He stated on the sixteenth of the same month, of the same year, and at the same place, that he had in his possession the same Confederate notes loaned him in 1861, and when counsel proposed to receive the notes in payment, he was unable to produce them.

After maturely considering the evidence adduced, the committee rendered the following decision:

1st. That so much of the first specification is sustained as alleges that Zechariah E. Harrison said he had lost or mislaid the contract or agreement therein referred to, and afterwards produced it.

2d. That the second specification is sustained.

3d. That the charge is sustained.

4th. That Zechariah E. Harrison be and he is hereby expelled from the M. E. Church, South.

On the last resolution six members of the committee voted in the affirmative and three in the negative.

H. H. GARY,
JOSEPH E. POTTS,
JACOB MANNING,
JAMES L. SHIPLEY,
JOSEPH SPRIGGS,
GEORGE E. BOOKER,
OSCAR LITTLETON,
E. M. PETERSON,
JOHN G. ROWE.

J. C. GRANBERY, *Chairman.*

P. A. PETERSON, *Secretary.*

RESOLUTIONS IN REGARD TO D'ARCY PAUL.

Reported by the Chairman of the Board of Domestic Missions, under instructions from the Conference. See JOURNAL, page 18.

Resolved, That with unfeigned regret we accept the resignation of brother D'Arcy Paul as Treasurer of our Missionary Board, which position he has filled with such marked ability, fidelity, and efficiency through a long series of years, rendering valuable service to the church, without any compensation or reward, other than that which is derived from the consciousness of being employed for the glory of God, and of enjoying the affection and gratitude of his brethren.

Resolved, That we tender to him our prayers and our sympathies in any infirmity of advancing years or bodily affliction which may prevent him from active service in our Conference sessions for the future.

JOHN E. EDWARDS, *Chairman D. M. Board.*

ANNUAL EXHIBIT OF THE SOUTHERN METHODIST PUBLISHING HOUSE AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.

Real estate in Nashville,	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$44,319 74
Fixtures—Presses, type, &c.,	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,556 00
Stereotype plates,	-	-	-	-	-	-	47,600 00
Merchandise,	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,814 00
New Orleans depository—merchandise and fixtures,	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,941 90
Debts due on new account,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,210 20
Furniture—desks, tables, and safe,	-	-	-	-	-	-	305 00
Cash on hand,	-	-	-	-	-	-	151 17
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							\$173,898 01

LIABILITIES.

Bills payable,	-	-	-	-	-	\$34,451 27	
Book Account,	-	-	-	-	-	15,371 15	49,822 42
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Balance in favor of the house,	-	-	-	-	-		124,075 59
Balance in favor of the house last year,	-	-	-	-	-		103,540 27
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Profits for the year ending June 30, 1868,	-	-	-	-	-		\$20,535 32

Nashville, Tennessee, July 1, 1868.

A. H. REDFORD, *Agent.*

VI.—FINANCIAL EXHIBIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER, 1868.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS NAMES.	Travel'g Expen- ses.	Salary Asses'd	Salary Paid.	Salary Defic't.	Con. col. Asses'd	Con. col. Paid.	Bishops' Fund Assessed	Bishops' Fund Paid.
RICHMOND DISTRICT.....	L. Rosser, P. E.....		\$750 00	\$551 87	\$198 13				
Centenary Station.....	N. Head.....	\$5 00	1,500 00	1,500 00		\$95 00	\$85 90	\$30 00	\$30 00
Broad Street Station.....	G. W. Langhorne.....	5 00	1,800 00	1,346 84	453 16	95 00	95 00	30 00	30 00
Trinity Station.....	R. N. Sledd.....	2 00	1,800 00	1,800 00		90 00	90 00	35 00	35 00
Clay Street Station.....	E. M. Peterson.....		1,200 00	1,200 00		65 00	44 25	25 00	25 00
Union Station.....	L. M. Lee.....	35 00	1,200 00	1,200 00		100 00	47 03	30 00	30 00
Manchester Station.....	C. C. Pearson.....		1,200 00	870 25	329 75	65 00	27 25	25 00	10 00
Charles City.....	G. C. Vanderslice.....	20 00	740 00	740 00		30 00	16 12	10 00	10 00
New Kent.....	Jesse K. Powers.....					65 00	2 25	25 00	
York and Hampton.....	R. N. Crooks.....	20 00	600 00	418 00	182 00	25 00	22 00	10 00	10 00
Matthews.....	F. M. Edwards.....		950 00	509 00	441 00	95 00	29 05	25 00	10 00
Gloucester.....	J. L. Shipley.....	7 75	722 56	614 39	108 17	98 00	75 00	37 00	31 48
King William.....	T. J. Taylor.....		200 00	140 00	60 00	40 00	12 55	15 00	1 00
Williamsburg and James City.....	W. P. Wright.....	10 00	170 00	147 50	22 50	15 00	10 00	5 00	4 00
Sidney Station.....	James H. Crown.....	14 50	300 00	115 36	184 64				
		119 25	13,132 56	11,153 21	1,979 35	878 00	556 40	302 00	226 48
CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.....	L. S. Reed, P. E.....	39 70	1,435 00	1,028 79	426 21				
Charlottesville Station.....	W. E. Edwards.....		1,200 00	751 23	448 77	41 14	41 14	21 00	21 00
Albemarle.....	R. W. Watts.....		1,000 00	814 25	185 75	80 00	80 00	50 00	50 00
Scottsville.....	G. E. Booker }.....	16 00	650 00	400 50	249 50	75 00	22 00	30 00	20 00
	A. C. Bledsoe }.....		150 00	104 00	46 00				
Fluvanna.....	M. L. Bishop.....		700 00	288 62	499 38	50 00	12 00	3 00	7 65
Goochland.....	B. C. Spiller.....	3 00	350 00	229 00	121 00	26 75	15 00	14 00	14 00
Hanover.....	W. W. Berry.....		1,012 00	318 64	693 54	66 89	10 25	34 82	
Beaver Dam.....	Wm. M. Jerdone.....	10 00	200 00	200 00		42 52	19 87	22 28	22 28
Louisa.....	Wm. G. Lumpkin.....	30 00	920 00	561 00	359 00	70 00	40 00	60 00	25 00
Orange.....	J. W. Tucker.....		300 00	278 43	21 57	54 00	40 70	28 00	28 00
Madison.....	J. M. Anderson.....		750 00	663 00	87 00	69 59	20 00	36 24	30 00
Greene.....	Thomas M. Beckham.....		600 00	397 00	203 00	53 54	9 50	27 86	10 00
Piedmont.....	James F. Finnell.....		106 14	106 14				14 00	7 00
Batesville.....	H. H. Gary.....	15 00	500 00	500 00		58 86	58 86	30 64	34 64
Nelson.....	Wm. I. Hunter.....	10 00	350 00	259 00	91 00	50 54	5 00	27 86	25 00
		\$123 70	\$10,243 14	\$6,899 60	\$3,431 72	\$738 83	\$374 32	\$399 70	\$294 57

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CHARGES.	PREACHERS NAMES.	Travel'g Expen.	Salary Asses'd.	Salary Paid.	Salary Defic't.	Con. col. Asses'd	Con. col. Paid.	Bishops' Fund Asses'd.	Bishops' Fund Paid.
LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.....	A. G. Brown, P. E.....	\$47 74	\$2,000 00	\$1,273 70	\$726 30	.....	.....	.....	.....
Centenary Station.....	W. E. Judkins.....	10 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....	\$47 70	\$57 50	\$18 55	\$34 85
Court Street Station.....	John E. Edwards.....	6 50	1,600 00	1,600 00	.....	35 85	60 40	16 88	60 00
Amherst.....	James P. Garland }.....	.....	1,000 00	748 00	252 00	64 50	54 50	30 32	26 30
West Amherst.....	T. H. Campbell }.....	.....	150 00	110 00	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bedford.....	R. A. Lee.....	1 55	350 00	142 13	207 87	25 50	3 50	12 00	.....
South Bedford.....	Joseph E. Potts.....	20 00	980 00	666 46	313 54	68 00	9 20	32 00	8 10
Campbell.....	Jacob Manning.....	50 00	850 00	419 80	430 20	71 16	12 00	32 96	5 00
Appomattox.....	Joseph Spriggs.....	.....	700 00	433 68	266 32	79 74	19 90	31 01	14 40
Bedford Springs.....	J. H. Proctor.....	.....	750 00	475 65	274 35	48 45	11 90	22 80	10 00
Liberty Station.....	James R. Waggener.....	.....	1,000 00	477 85	522 15	25 64	15 00	12 08	6 59
Buckingham.....	William G. Starr.....	25 00	500 00	500 00	.....	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00
Slate River.....	J. E. McSparran.....	.....	840 10	272 00	568 00	60 35	6 90	28 40	2 50
	No report.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		160 79	12,220 00	8,619 27	3,600 73	536 89	260 80	242 00	172 74
DANVILLE DISTRICT.....	W. H. Christian, P. E.....	69 00	1,500 00	801 63	698 37	.....	.....	.....	.....
Danville Station.....	W. W. Duncan.....	.....	1,500 00	716 50	783 50	60 00	30 00	30 00	25 00
Charlotte.....	H. T. Bacon.....	.....	300 00	278 87	21 13	60 00	31 20	30 09	15 60
West Charlotte.....	John N. Jones.....	.....	170 00	138 00	32 00	19 00	3 00	9 00	3 00
South of Dan.....	Thomas H. Boggs.....	18 60	700 00	363 04	336 96	60 00	21 40	30 00	7 85
Halifax.....	Joseph Lear.....	50 00	800 00	400 00	400 00	60 00	.....	30 00	.....
Ringgold.....	John G. Bailey.....	20 00	200 00	67 00	133 00	17 00	.....	8 00	.....
Pittsylvania.....	D. M. Wallace.....	15 00	700 00	428 65	271 35	60 00	20 00	30 00	5 53
South Staunton.....	J. D. Hank.....	20 00	300 00	146 62	153 38	30 00	4 00	12 00	2 35
Franklin.....	A. M. Hall.....	25 00	690 00	287 16	402 84	35 00	5 10	15 00	.....
Flint Hill.....	No report.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Henry.....	Thomas P. Wise.....	.....	400 00	201 99	198 01	30 00	9 65	15 00	5 31
Dan River.....	D. F. Hodges.....	.....	250 00	105 80	144 20	.....	.....	.....	.....
Patrick.....	J. B. Merritt.....	20 00	150 00	80 00	70 00	30 00	8 00	15 00	4 00
		\$237 60	\$7,660 00	\$4,015 26	\$3,644 74	\$461 00	\$132 35	\$224 00	\$68 64

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT FOR YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER, 1868.—CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS NAMES.	Travel'g Expen.	Salary Asses'd.	Salary Paid.	Salary Defic't.	Con. col. Asses'd	Con. col. Paid.	Bishops' Fund Assessed	Bishops' Fund Paid.
FARMVILLE DISTRICT.....	Joseph A. Proctor, P. E.....	\$18 00	\$1,200 00	\$672 97	\$527 03				
Farmville Station.....	Oscar Littleton.....	15 00	1,000 00	1,000 00		\$17 00	\$21 78	\$7 00	\$9 00
Prince Edward.....	B. H. Johnson.....	75 00	920 00	546 59	373 41	65 00	27 65	28 00	13 00
Cumberland.....	L. J. Hansberger.....		900 00	757 36	142 64	50 00	10 00	25 00	10 00
Amelia.....	J. C. Watson.....		1,000 00	690 81	309 19	60 00	60 00	25 00	25 00
Powhatan.....	J. W. Hilldrup.....		400 00	400 00		42 00	27 10	14 00	6 00
Burkeville.....	G. H. Ray.....		300 00	139 50	160 50	15 00	10 00	12 00	1 00
Nottoway.....	H. C. Cheatham.....		1,050 00	889 14	160 86	51 85	46 00	38 12	31 00
Lunenburg.....	J. L. Garrett.....	50 00	1,050 00	900 00	150 00	95 00	95 00	42 00	23 50
Brunswick.....	R. Michaels.....		1,000 00	574 00	426 00	60 00	20 00	75 00	
Mecklenburg.....	J. W. Blincoe.....		1,000 00	621 21	378 79		15 00		
Boydton and Clarksville.....	James Jamieson.....		700 00	680 00	20 00	16 00	18 95	12 00	12 45
Union.....	Robert O. Burton.....						10 00		5 75
Randolph Macon.....	B. F. Woodward.....		1,000 00	574 37	425 63	40 00	35 00	30 00	26 00
		158 00	11,520 00	8,445 95	3,074 05	511 85	396 48	308 12	162 70
PETERSBURG DISTRICT.....	E. P. Wilson, P. E.....		1,520 00	1,102 68	417 32				
Washington Street Station.....	James A. Duncan.....		2,400 00	2,400 00		111 30	111 30	41 00	41 00
Market Street Station.....	John C. Granbery.....		1,700 00	1,700 00		61 97	115 00	25 05	40 73
High Street Station.....	W. H. Hopkins.....		1,200 00	576 05	623 95	31 80	20 24	11 72	9 46
Chesterfield.....	P. W. Archer.....	70 00	1,130 00	336 50	793 50	39 75	28 60	14 65	9 00
Clover Hill.....	W. G. Williams.....		100 00	100 00		23 85	23 85	8 30	8 30
Coalfield.....	R. A. Compton.....	10 00	200 00	112 00	88 00	31 00	12 05	12 00	6 00
Dinwiddie.....	J. W. Compton.....	25 00	420 00	230 27	189 73	21 86	4 20	8 05	
West Dinwiddie.....	John M. Saunders.....		750 00	673 92	76 08	26 63	26 63	9 82	9 82
Surry.....	John W. White.....		480 00	342 01	137 99	63 60	42 40	23 44	15 00
Prince George.....	John P. Woodward.....		192 00	148 35	43 65	13 12	2 50	4 84	
Sussex.....	Joseph H. Amiss.....	75 00	900 00	659 00	241 00	69 17	49 00	25 50	19 00
Greensville.....	J. W. Connelly.....		827 00	287 00	540 00		6 05		5 00
Smithfield.....	G. N. Guy.....	17 00	600 00	454 42	145 58	66 38	20 00	24 47	11 00
		\$197 00	\$12,419 00	\$9,122 20	\$3 296 80	\$560 43	\$461 82	\$208 84	\$174 31

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER, 1868.—CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS NAMES.	Travel'g Expen.	Salary Asses'd	Salary Paid.	Salary Defic't.	Con. col. Asses'd	Con. col. Paid.	Bishops' Fund Asses'd.	Bishops' Fund Paid.
NORFOLK DISTRICT.....	D. P. Wills, P. E.....	\$102 00		\$1,268 45					
Cumberland Street Station.....	P. A. Peterson.....	23 00	\$1,600 00	1,600 00		\$65 00	\$65 00	\$25 00	\$31 07
Granby Street Station.....	John S. Lindsay.....		1,200 00	1,200 00		65 00	100 00	25 00	26 13
Dinwiddie Street Station, Portsmouth.....	Thomas B. Sargent.....	7 00	1,500 00	758 98	\$741 02	50 00	42 50	25 00	4 62
Wesley Chapel Station, Portsmouth.....	Joseph E. Martin.....		1,000 00	1,000 00		25 00	25 00	12 00	
Second Street Station, Portsmouth.....	H. C. Bowles.....	10 00	500 00	366 76	133 24				
Atlantic.....	James O. Moss.....	20 00	880 00	511 96	368 04	60 00	8 20	20 00	
Eastville.....	William H. Camper.....	11 50	700 00	603 84	96 16	25 00	6 20	10 00	6 20
Pungoteague.....	James C. Martin.....	17 00	850 00	850 00		60 00	60 00	25 00	25 00
Cambridge.....	B. W. Daugherty.....		500 00	500 00		25 00	9 37	10 00	10 00
Berlin.....	B. F. Tennille.....		250 00	250 00					
Princess Anne.....	John W. Howard.....	33 00	1,000 00	627 73	372 27	60 00	30 00		19 20
East Norfolk.....	George W. Nolley.....		900 00	900 00		60 00	25 00	25 00	15 00
Norfolk Circuit.....	N. Chamberlayne.....		300 00	300 00		30 00	28 00	15 00	13 00
Dorchester.....	J. B. Dey.....		850 00	852 60		65 00	65 00	25 00	25 00
Wicomico.....	C. E. Watts.....	15 00	400 00	400 00		34 00	34 00	15 00	15 00
		238 50	12,430 00	11,990 32	1,710 73	624 00	498 27	232 00	190 22
MURFREESBORO' DISTRICT.....	Henry B. Cowles, P. E.....	25 75	1,000 00	650 80	349 20				
Murfreesboro'.....	Thomas A. Ware.....	25 00	250 00	185 13	64 87	84 00	41 25	44 00	12 30
Bertie.....	J. McMullen.....		850 00	525 81	324 19	84 00	21 89	44 00	
	Charles E. Hobday }.....		150 00	91 27	58 73				
Northampton.....	M. S. Colonna.....	20 00	750 00	600 00	150 00	84 00	25 00	44 00	10 00
Southampton.....	Alfred Wiles.....		1,000 00	725 06	274 94	90 00	46 65	25 00	15 35
Gates.....	William E. Allen.....	5 00	800 00	460 00	340 00	94 00	40 00	34 00	20 00
Suffolk.....	S. S. Lambeth.....		1,000 00	900 00	100 00	49 00	25 62	25 00	17 50
Hertford.....	J. D. Lumsden.....	25 00	885 00	458 00	427 00	100 00	45 00	50 00	22 45
Edenton.....	P. F. August.....	11 00	500 00	500 00		22 00	9 00	12 00	5 00
Pasquotank.....	James L. Fisher.....	18 00	900 00	310 00	590 00	100 00	8 00	53 00	8 00
Elizabeth City Station.....	C. V. Bingley.....	12 25	600 00	506 41	93 59	65 00	16 60	35 00	8 30
Indian Ridge.....	Thomas L. Williams.....	9 00	1,090 00	560 54	529 46	84 00	20 00	44 00	11 00
		\$151 00	\$9,775 00	\$6,473 02	\$3,301 98	\$856 00	\$299 01	\$410 00	\$129 90

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER, 1868.—CONTINUED.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS NAMES.	Travel'g Expen.	Salary Assess'd	Salary Paid.	Salary Defic't.	Con. col. Assess'd	Con. col. Paid.	Bishops' Fund Assess'd.	Bishops' Fund Paid.
RAPPAHANNOCK DISTRICT.....	W. B. Rowzie, P. E.....	.....	450 00	355 50	94 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rappahannock.....	L. H. Greybill.....	.....	540 00	497 08	42 92	37 00	32 50	25 00	25 00
Culpeper.....	E. H. Pritchett.....	\$30 75	914 25	457 75	456 50	37 00	.....	25 00	.....
Spottsylvania.....	J. W. F. Jones.....	.....	160 00	160 00	.....	.....	5 70	.....	10 00
King George.....	T. J. Bayton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 00	17 00	25 00	25 00
Westmoreland.....	J. H. Davis.....	.....	735 00	332 42	402 58	53 00	22 34	25 00	4 00
Lancaster.....	W. F. Bain.....	13 50	800 00	661 50	138 50	53 00	29 00	25 00	18 00
Caroline.....	John G. Rowe.....	.....	815 00	469 40	345 60	53 00	10 50	25 00	5 00
Middlesex.....	R. B. Beadles.....	50 00	650 00	558 00	92 00	53 00	30 42	25 00	20 00
King and Queen.....	H. P. Mitchell.....	.....	565 00	500 00	65 00	53 00	5 00	25 00	5 00
		94 25	5,629 25	3,991 65	1,637 60	376 00	152 46	200 00	112 00

R. N. SLEDD, Secretary.

A. G. BROWN, Chairman J. B. Finance.

[The following calculations based on the foregoing tables will give a comparative view of the finances of the Conference for the years 1867 and 1868.—P. A. P.]

Receipts for all purposes.

ITEMS.	1867.	1868.	
For salaries.....	\$67,148 93	\$70,710 48	Increase.
For traveling expenses.....	1,598 67	1,480 09	Decrease.
For Bishops' fund.....	1,576 29	1,531 56	Decrease.
For Conference collection.....	3,415 68	3,131 91	Decrease.
For missions.....	4,137 88	3,106 55	Decrease.
Total	\$77,877 45	\$79,950 59	Increase.

Salaries.

Total assessment on account of salaries, 1867.....	\$88,080 15
Total receipts on account of salaries, 1867.....	67,148 93
Aggregate deficiencies.....	\$20,931 22
Or 23 3-4 per cent. of the whole assessment.	
Total assessment on account of salaries, 1868.....	\$95,028 95
Total receipts on account of salaries, 1868.....	70,710 48
Aggregate deficiencies.....	\$24,318 47
Or 25 3-5 per cent. of the whole assessment.	
Average salaries assessed 1867.....	\$692 82
“ “ “ 1868.....	742 41
“ “ received 1867.....	524 60
“ “ “ 1868.....	552 50
Average paid per church member, for all purposes, 1867.....	\$2 09
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ 1868.....	2 16]

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF CONFERENCE COLLECTION, BISHOPS' FUND, AND AMOUNT RAISED FOR DEFICIENT PREACHERS.

RECEIVED FROM	Conference col- lections.	Bishops fund.	Deficient preach'rs
Amount in treasury from last year.....	\$12 78	.....	.....
Contingent fund in hands of chairman..	30 25	.....	.....
Richmond District.....	556 40	\$226 00	\$10 00
Charlottesville District.....	374 32	290 00	4 66
Lynchburg District.....	260 80	172 74	.....
Danville District.....	132 35	68 64	29 10
Farmville District.....	406 48	162 70	39 00
Petersburg District.....	461 83	174 31	129 50
Murfreesboro' District.....	290 01	189 22	.....
Norfolk District.....	498 27	130 00	78 00
Rappahannock District.....	172 46	112 00	.....
Trinity Church, Baltimore.....	200 00	.....	.....
	\$3,395 95	\$1,525 61	\$290 26

DISBURSEMENTS.

The Conference collection was distributed as follows :

Mrs. Childs, - - -	\$111 50	Amount brought up -	\$1,968 84
Mrs. Kessee, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Blount and child, -	130 08
Mrs. Gibson, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Beckwith and child, -	133 80
Mrs. Peyton, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Shelton and 3 children, -	167 25
Mrs. Stanley, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Gregory and children, -	223 00
Mrs. Scott, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Twyman and child, -	64 67
Mrs. Payne, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Wood, - - -	74 33
Mrs. Bain, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Boyd, - - -	74 33
Mrs. Dibrell, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Miles, - - -	74 33
Mrs. Joyner, - - -	111 50	Mrs. Hayes, - - -	55 75
Rev. Humphrey Billups, -	111 50	Rev. S. T. Moorman, wife, and	
Rev. Jos. Carson, - - -	111 50	child, - - -	185 83
Mrs. Pearce and five children,	292 62	Rev. J. C. Garlick, -	92 92
Mrs. Coulling and child, -	130 08	Rev. W. A. Robinson, -	55 75
Mrs. Wonnycott and 2 children,	148 67		
Misses Mollie and Ella Wonny-			3,301 88
cott, - - -	59 47	Contingent fund, - - -	94 07
Amount carried up -	\$1,968 84		\$3,395 95

Bishops' fund raised,		\$1,525 61
Paid Bishop Wightman,	\$36 00	
Paid Bishop Doggett,	500 00	
Paid Bishop Early,	989 61	
		\$1,525 61

Deficient preachers' fund raised,		\$290 26
Paid Rev. J. Manning,	\$4150	
Paid Rev. J. E. McSparran,	41 50	Paid Rev. C. C. Pearson, 20 66
Paid Rev. Thomas M. Beckham,	41 50	Paid Rev. R. Michaels, 41 50
Paid Rev. B. H. Johnson,	31 05	Paid Rev. Wm. E. Allen, 31 05
Paid Rev. A. Wiles,	41 50	
		\$290 26

Assessment of Conference collection and Bishops' fund for the year 1868-69.

1. Amount to be raised for superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers, \$6,000. Apportioned as follows :

Richmond District, . . .	\$658 78	Murfreesboro' District, . . .	849 81
Charlottesville District, . . .	696 39	Norfolk District, . . .	746 39
Lynchburg District, . . .	602 20	Rappahannock District . . .	629 50
Danville District, . . .	486 73		
Farmville District, . . .	684 41	Total, . . .	\$6,000 00
Petersburg District, . . .	645 80		

2. Amount to be raised for the support of the Bishops, \$1,800. Apportioned as follows :

Richmond District, . . .	\$197 90	Murfreesboro' Distrsct, . . .	253 20
Charlottesville District, . . .	209 50	Norfolk District, . . .	223 60
Lynchburg District, . . .	180 90	Rappahannock District, . . .	189 10
Danville District, . . .	146 20		
Farmville District, . . .	205 60	Total, . . .	\$1,800 00
Petersburg District, . . .	194 00		

A. G. BROWN, *Chairman Joint Board Finance.*

R. N. SLEDD, *Secretary.*

VII.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS, 1868.

RICHMOND DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Centenary, by Nelson Head.....	\$220 00	\$40 00
Broad Street, by G. W. Langhorne.....	49 26	16 42
Trinity, by R. N. Sledd.....	50 00	5 10
Clay Street, by E. M. Peterson.....	50 00	6 00
Union, by L. M. Lee.....	20 07	6 68
Manchester, by C. C. Pearson.....	19 00	5 10
King William, by T. J. Taylor.....	8 50	
Charles City, by G. C. Vanderslice.....	6 64	2 21
Williamsburg, by W. P. Wright.....	6 61	3 54
York, by R. N. Crooks.....	22 50	7 50
Gloucester, by J. L. Shipley.....	30 00	10 00
Matthews, by F. M. Edwards, \$4.79 of which from the mite-box of Georgie Edwards and Lizzie Hicks.....	20 79	14 00
	<hr/> \$503 37	<hr/> \$116 55

<i>Expended in District.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>
Paid J. H. Crown.....	\$75 00
Paid R. A. Armistead.....	50 00
Paid R. A. Armistead.....	25 00
Appropriated by N. Head.....	160 00
	<hr/> 310 00

Balance to credit of general fund.....	\$193 37	\$116 55
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CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Charlottesville, by W. E. Edwards.....	\$38 72	\$15 00
Albemarle, by Ro. W. Watts.....	70 00	31 00
Scottsville, by George E. Booker.....	8 00	3 00
Fluvanna, by M. L. Bishop.....	4 20	
Goochland, by B. C. Spiller.....	2 50	
Hanover, by L. S. Reid, Presiding Elder.....	6 25	2 02
Beaver Dam, by W. M. Jerdone.....	12 42	5 00
Louisa, by W. G. Lumpkin.....	15 00	
Orange, by J. W. Tucker.....		15 75
Madison, by J. M. Anderson.....	3 00	2 00
Greene, by T. M. Beckham.....	10 85	
Batesville, by H. H. Gary.....	19 72	6 57
	<hr/> \$190 66	<hr/> \$80 34

<i>Expended</i>	<i>Dom.</i>	<i>For.</i>
Enclosed to W. T. Smithson by W. E. Edwards.....		\$10 00
Enclosed to W. T. Smithson by J. W. Tucker.....		15 00
J. E. Edwards' order favor of J. F. Finnell.....	\$50 00	
	<hr/> 50 00	<hr/> 25 00

Balance to credit of general fund.....	\$140 66	\$55 34
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LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Centenary, by W. E. Judkins.....	\$54 05	\$6 00
Court Street, by J. E. Edwards.....	50 00	8 60
Amherst, by J. P. Garland.....	20 00	10 00
Bedford, by J. E. Potts.....	8 30	1 00
Bedford Springs, by J. R. Waggener.....		4 60
South Bedford, by Jacob Manning.....	5 00	
Campbell, by Joseph Spriggs.....	5 00	
Appomattox, by J. H. Proctor.....	10 00	5 00
Liberty, by W. G. Starr.....	5 00	
Buckingham, by J. E. McSparran.....	2 70	2 70
	<hr/> \$160 05	<hr/> \$37 90

<i>Expended.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	
Local Board in Lynchburg as per receipt to W. E. Judkins	\$48 65	
Same to J. E. Edwards.....	50 00	
Amherst colored mission by J. P. Garland.....	20 00	
	<hr/> 118 65	
Balance to credit of general fund.....	\$41 40	\$37 90

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Danville, by W. W. Duncan.....	\$6 05	
Charlotte, by H. T. Bacon.....	11 25	\$3 75
West Charlotte, by John N. Jones.....	1 25	
South of Dan, by T. H. Boggs.....	6 87	2 28
Pittsylvania, by D. M. Wallace.....	3 50	7 75
Franklin, by A. M. Hall.....	3 20	3 00
Henry, by T. P. Wise.....	2 67	
Patrick, by J. B. Merritt.....	5 50	
To credit of general fund.....	<hr/> \$40 29	<hr/> \$16 78

RANDOLPH MACON DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Farmville, by O. Littleton.....	\$15 32	\$5 08
Prince Edward, by B. H. Johnson.....	22 18	26 00
Cumberland, by L. J. Hansberger.....	2 25	
Amelia, by J. C. Watson.....	35 00	10 00
Powhatan, by J. W. Hilldrup.....	30 00	
Burkeville, by G. H. Ray.....	13 50	4 50
Nottoway, by H. C. Cheatham.....	34 74	17 36
Mecklenburg, by J. W. Blincoe.....	4 30	
Randolph Macon College, by J. H. Jamieson.....	12 20	10 00
Randolph Macon Circuit, by B. F. Woodward.....	32 10	13 00
	<hr/> \$201 59	<hr/> \$86 04

<i>Expended.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	
D'Arcy Paul's acknowledgment to J. C. Watson.....	\$35 00	
	<hr/> 35 00	
Balance to credit of general fund.....	\$166 59	\$86 04

PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Washington Street, by J. A. Duncan.....	\$118 00	\$56 00
Market Street, by J. C. Granbery.....	133 24	85 58
High Street, by W. H. Hopkins.....	20 00	8 46
Chesterfield, by P. W. Archer.....	26 71	8 90
Coalfield, by R. A. Compton.....	17 00	5 65
Dinwiddie, by John M. Saunders.....	4 21	
Sussex, by J. H. Amiss.....	10 00	
Surry, by J. W. White.....	30 00	10 00
Smithfield, by G. N. Guy, mite-box at Benns.....	5 00	
	<u>\$364 16</u>	<u>\$174 59</u>

<i>Expended.</i>	<i>Dom.</i>	<i>For.</i>
Prince George Mission.....	\$50 00	
D'Arcy Paul's receipt.....	30 65	
D'Arcy Paul's receipt.....	10 00	
Forwarded to W. T. Smithson by J. C. Granbery.....		\$45 58
		<u>90 65</u>
Balance to credit of general fund.....	\$273 51	\$129 01

MURFREESBORO' DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Northampton, by M. S. Colonna.....		\$28 00
Gates, by Wm. E. Allen	\$10 00	
Edenton, by P. F. August.....	7 00	
Hertford, by J. D. Lumsden		2 00
Pasquotank, by J. L. Fisher.....	6 00	
Indian Ridge, by T. L. Williams.....		7 35
Elizabeth City, by C. V. Bingley.....	5 28	1 75
Suffolk, by S. S. Lambeth.....	13 78	5 56
Southampton, by A. Wiles.....	5 35	6 00
	<u>\$47 41</u>	<u>\$50 66</u>

<i>Expended.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	
Paid H. B. Cowles for Currituck mission.....	\$50 00	
	<u>50 00</u>	
Balance to debit and credit of general fund.....	\$2 59	\$50 66

NORFOLK DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Cumberland Street, by P. A. Peterson.....	\$62 90	\$20 00
Granby Street, by J. S. Lindsay.....	100 00	50 00
East Norfolk, by G. W. Nolley.....	5 00	5 25
Eastville, by W. H. Camper.....	10 64	10 64
Pungoteague, by J. C. Martin.....	48 25	22 00
Atlantic, by J. O. Moss.....	12 00	
Wicomico, by C. E. Watts, \$1.50 of this sum by Jennie Cannon.....	12 00	25 09
Dorchester, by J. B. Dey.....	93 00	30 00
	<u>\$343 79</u>	<u>\$162 89</u>
Paid W. T. Smithson by J. B. Dey.....		30 00
Balance to credit of general fund.....	\$343 79	\$132 89

RAPPAHANNOCK DISTRICT.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Rappahannock, by L. H. Graybill.....	\$24 01	
Westmoreland, by Joseph H. Davis.....	44 01	\$6 00
Lancaster, by W. F. Bain.....	62 20	
Middlesex, by R. B. Beadles.....	42 66	
King & Queen, by H. P. Mitchell.....	45 15	
Caroline, by J. G. Rowe.....	21 50	
	<hr/> \$239 53	<hr/> \$6 00
<i>Expended.</i>	<i>Dom.</i>	<i>For.</i>
Remitted W. T. Smithson by J. H. Davis		\$6 00
Payments to W. B. Rowzie.....	\$239 53	
	<hr/> 239 53	<hr/> 6 00

RECAPITULATION.

	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>
Richmond District.....	\$193 37	\$116 55
Charlottesville District.....	140 66	55 34
Lynchburg District.....	41 40	37 90
Petersburg District.....	273 51	129 01
Danville District.....	40 29	16 78
Randolph Macon District.....	166 59	86 04
Murfreesboro' District.....		50 66
Norfolk District.....	343 79	132 89
Lucy T. Wilson, Baltimore, mite-box, by W. W. Bennett.	2 05	
Marian and Florence Hatcher, Powhatan circuit, by W. W. Bennett.....	1 00	
A lady of Church Hill, Richmond, by same.....	2 00	
Mollie V. Chandler, by same.....	50	
Mrs. R. O. Garey, by same.....	2 00	
Mrs. H. D. McCabe, Washington city, mite-box, by same	5 00	
W. P. Taylor, mite-box, by same.....	50	
Mary Lee, Lura Virginia, Richard Heber, and Ellen Amelia, children of W. W. Bennett, mite-box.....		4 26
Sale of jewelry found in mite-box.....	2 00	
Collection at anniversary meeting, \$20 of which was contributed by the guests of Mr. A. P. Abell to constitute him a life member.....	207 24	69 08
	<hr/> \$1,421 90	<hr/> \$698 51
	<i>Dom.</i>	<i>For.</i>
Off for Murfreesboro' District.....	\$2 59	
Subject to order of J. B. McFerrin..	141 93	
Subject to order Wm. Willis.....	1,277 38	
Subject to order W. T. Smithson.....		\$698 51
	<hr/> 1,421 90	<hr/> 698 51

J. H. ROBINSON, *Treasurer, pro tem.*

VIII.

MEMOIRS.

I. REV. JAMES E. JOYNER.

James E. Joyner was born in the county of Amherst, State of Virginia, on the — day of —, in the year —, and died at his own home in the county of Henry, Virginia, on the 15th of March, 1868, in the — year of his age.

For more than thirty years brother Joyner had served the church with great acceptability and usefulness in various appointments. His abilities as a preacher, although not of the very highest order, were far above mediocrity. His preaching was earnest, pointed, and eminently practical. There were occasions when the power of divine grace was manifested in a most remarkable manner under his preaching, in awakening sinners, converting penitents, and comforting Christians. During the late war he served as a chaplain in the Confederate States Army, and exerted among the officers and men an influence for good, which was felt and acknowledged by all. As his failing health admonished him of the near approach of death, his Christian experience appeared to grow clearer and stronger. With simple, childlike confidence, he placed the interests of his immortality in the hands of the Saviour, and realized a perfect assurance of his eternal safety. Amidst great sufferings his peace was flowing as a river, sustained by a glorious hope of a blissful immortality.

II. REV. GEORGE M. ROBERTSON.

George M. Robertson, whose age and place of birth the committee appointed to prepare this memoir have not been able to ascertain, died at the residence of Mr. Robinson Epps, in Prince George county, Virginia, on the 30th day of July, 1868. Brother Robertson was received into the Virginia Annual Conference as a probationer in 1860, and was regularly graduated to the office of deacon and elder. He was a young man of moderate ability as a preacher; but was earnest and faithful in the performance of the duties of the ministry. His ministerial career was of short duration, but we trust he has entered upon the glorious rewards which shall be eternal.

IX.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.

Robert N. Sledd,

John B. Dey,

Joseph E. Potts.

FIRST YEAR.

James A. Duncan,
Wm. E. Judkins,
Oscar Littleton,
Wm. G. Lumpkin,

SECOND YEAR.

John C. Granbery,
H. P. Mitchell,
Wm. W. Duncan,
James P. Garland.

THIRD YEAR.

P. A. Peterson,
Robert W. Watts,
Thomas A. Ware,
George E. Booker,

FOURTH YEAR.

D. P. Wills,
Wm. H. Christian,
E. M. Peterson.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The Bishops at their meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, 1868, determined not to change the course of study for the present, and recommended the course which was in use prior to the last General Conference, which is as follows:

FOR CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.—The Bible: Wesley's Sermons on Justification by Faith and on the Witness of the Spirit; Rules concerning the duty of a preacher, as laid down in the Discipline; Written Essay or Sermon.

FIRST YEAR.—The Bible: Historical and Biographical parts, with reference to Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary enlarged, with new Biblical Atlas, and Preachers' Text Book; Wesley's Sermons, Volume I; Discipline; Hymn Book; Clarke's Preachers' Manual; Watson's Institutes, Part III; Theological Compend, English Grammar, Composition.

SECOND YEAR.—The Bible: as to the Institutions of Christianity, with reference to Watson's Dictionary, as above; Wesley's Sermons, Volume II; Discipline, with reference to Henkle's Analysis, Hymn Book; Smith's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Life of Wesley, and Observations on Southey; Essay or Sermon, with reference to Quackenbos' Advanced Course of Composition and Rhetoric.

THIRD YEAR.—The Bible: as to Doctrines, with reference to Watson's Dictionary, as above; Wesley's Sermons, Volume III; Discipline; Hymn Book; Watson's Institutes, Part II; Whateley's Rhetoric; Essay or Sermon, with reference to Vinet's Pastoral Theology.

FOURTH YEAR.—The Bible generally: with reference to Watson's Dictionary, as above; Wesley's Sermons, Volume IV; Discipline; Hymn Book; Rivers' Elements of Moral Philosophy; Watson's Institutes, Part I; Powell on Succession; Ruter's Church History; Whateley's Logic; Essay or Sermon.

The parties to be examined and the committees are required, by order of Conference to be present and enter upon the examinations on the evening next preceding the day appointed for the meeting of the Conference.

X.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1868-69.

RICHMOND DISTRICT.

LEONIDAS ROSSER, *Presiding Elder.*

Richmond:

Centenary—John C. Granbery.
 Broad Street—John E. Edwards.
 Trinity—Joseph A. Proctor.
 Rocketts—To be supplied.
 Sidney } Robert A. Armistead.
 Oregon }
 Clay Street—Thomas A. Ware.
 Union—Leroy M. Lee.
 Manchester—James P. Garland.
 Charles City—Geo. C. Vanderslice.

New Kent and Williamsburg—Joseph Lear.
 Gloucester—Edward M. Peterson.
 Matthews—Francis M. Edwards.
 Seamens' Bethel—Francis J. Boggs.
 Penitentiary—Samuel T. Moorman.
 Mission to the Germans—Edward N. S. Blogg.
 William W. Bennett, Editor Richmond Christian Advocate.

CHARLOTTESVILLE DISTRICT.

LEMUEL S. REID, *Presiding Elder.*

Charlottesville—William E. Edwards.
 Albemarle—Robert W. Watts, John J. Lafferty, Supernumerary.
 Scottsville—George E. Booker, (one to be supplied.)
 Fluvanna—Milton L. Bishop.
 { Gordonsville and Orange Court House
 { John N. Jones.
 { Orange Circuit—Henry M. Linney.

Louisa—Adam C. Bledsoe.
 Batesville—Hartwell H. Gary.
 Nelson—James C. Reid.
 Madison—James M. Anderson.
 Greene—John W. Tucker.
 Piedmont—To be supplied.
 Goochland—Benjamin C. Spiller.
 Beaver Dam—William M. Jerdone.

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.

ALEXANDER G. BROWN, *Presiding Elder.*

Lynchburg:

{ Centenary—George W. Langhorne.
 { Madison—To be supplied.
 { Court Street—Robert N. Sledd.
 { Rolling Mills—To be supplied.
 { Amherst—John D. Blackwell, Devereaux J. C. Slaughter, Supernumerary, Thos. H. Early, Supernumerary.
 { Amherst Colored Work—To be sup'd.

West Amherst---William H. Camper.
 Bedford---John M. Saunders.
 South Bedford---William I. Hunter.
 Bedford Springs---James R. Waggener.
 Liberty---William G. Starr.
 Appomattox---Esmond A. Gibbs.
 Campbell---Joseph Spriggs.
 Buckingham---James E. McSparran.
 South Buckingham---Peter F. August.
 Big Island---To be supplied.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.

JAMES JAMIESON, *Presiding Elder.*

Danville---Charles C. Pearson.
 Charlotte---Herbert T. Bacon, John D. Southall, Supernumerary.
 West Charlotte---Alfred Wiles.
 Halifax---Jeremiah McMullen.
 South of Dan---Thomas H. Boggs.
 Ringgold---To be supplied.

Pittsylvania---David M. Wallace.
 South Staunton---To be supplied.
 { Franklin---Alexander M. Hall.
 { Flint Hill---To be supplied.
 Henry---David F. Hodges.
 Patrick---Henry C. Bowles.
 Dan River---To be supplied.

FARMVILLE DISTRICT.

ROBERT MICHAELS, *Presiding Elder.*

Farmville---Oscar Littleton.
 Prince Edward---Joshua L. Garrett,
 (one to be supplied.)
 Burkville---George H. Ray.
 Lunenburg---James C. Watson.
 Boydton---Benjamin F. Woodward, Wm.
 R. Cobb, Wm. Carter, Supernumerary.
 Mecklenburg---Blassingame H. Johnson,
 James McAden, Supernumerary,
 William W. Spain, Supernumerary.

Union---To be supplied.
 Brunswick---James W. Blincoe.
 Nottoway---William G. Lumpkin, Jas.
 L. Spencer, Supernumerary.
 Amelia---Joseph E. Potts.
 Powhatan---John W. Hildrup.
 Cumberland---Layton J. Hansberger.
 Superintendent Religious Interests Col-
 ored People---Robert O. Burton.

PETERSBURG DISTRICT.

EDWARD P. WILSON, *Presiding Elder.**Petersburg:*

{ Washington Street---Chas. H. Hall,
 { Blandford---(One to be supplied,) Thomas S. Campbell, Supernumerary.
 { Market Street---Wm. E. Judkins.
 { Wesley Chapel---One to be supplied.
 { High Street---James H. Crown, (one
 { Battersea Chapel---to be supplied.)
 Ettricks---To be supplied.
 Chesterfield---Philmer W. Archer.
 Coalfield and Clover Hill---To be supplied.

West Dinwiddie---George N. Guy, Jacob
 H. Proctor, Supernumerary.
 Dinwiddie---James W. Connelly, Nat.
 Thomas, Supernumerary.
 Dinwiddie Court House---Thos. Diggs.
 Sussex---Joseph H. Amiss, Jas. A. Riddick, Supernumerary.
 Greensville---Charles E. Watts, Joseph
 H. Riddick, Supernumerary.
 Prince George---John P. Woodward.
 Surry---John W. White, Aurelius W.
 Holt.*
 Smithfield---Hezekiah P. Mitchell.

*Died soon after adjournment of Conference.—P. A. P.

MURFREESBORO' DISTRICT.

HENRY B. COWLES, *Presiding Elder.*

Murfreesboro'---John S. Lindsay*.
 Northampton---Charles E. Hobday, Wm.
 Grant.
 Bertie---Robert N. Crooks, Robt. I. Carson, Supernumerary.
 Edenton---Robert A. Compton, Wm. J.
 Norfleet, Supernumerary.
 Hertford---James L. Fisher.
 Pasquotank---George W. Nolley.

Elizabeth City---Wm. P. Wright.
 Indian Ridge---Thomas L. Williams.
 Suffolk---Samuel S. Lambeth.
 Gates---Major S. Colonna.
 Southampton---Wm. E. Allen, Isaac M.
 Arnold, Supernumerary.
 Currituck---To be supplied.
 Paul Whitehead, President Wesleyan
 Female College at Murfreesboro, N. C.

*United with the Episcopal Church after receiving his appointment.—P. A. P.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.

DAVIS P. WILLS, *Presiding Elder.**Norfolk:*

Cumberland Street---P. A. Peterson.
 Granby Street---William W. Duncan.
Portsmouth:
 { Dinwiddie St---Wm. H. Christian.
 { Second Street---To be supplied.
 Wesley Chapel---Joseph E. Martin.
 Norfolk Circuit---Thomas P. Wise.
 East Norfolk Ct---James W. Compton.
 Princess Anne---John W. Howard.

Eastville---Joseph B. Merritt, L. Moore.
 Pungoteague---James C. Martin.
 Atlantic---James O. Moss.
 Wicomico---Josiah D. Hank.
 Berlin---Benjamin F. Tennille.
 Cambridge---Charles V. Bingley, Benj.
 W. Daugherty, Supernumerary.
 Dorchester---John B. Dey, J. B. Laurens,
 Supernumerary.
 Hampton and York---Jas. D. Lumsden.

RAPPAHANNOCK DISTRICT.

JACOB MANNING, *Presiding Elder.*

Rappahannock—Lewis H. Greybill, J.	Lancaster—William F. Bain.
F. Poulton, Supernumerary.	Middlesex—Robert B. Beadles.
Culpeper—Edgar H. Pritchett, Wilbur	King and Queen—Thos. M. Beckham.
F. Robins, Supernumerary.	King William—Travis J. Taylor.
Spottsylvania—John W. F. Jones, Jas.	Hanover—Wm. H. Hopkins.
F. Brannin, Supernumerary.	James A. Duncan, President Randolph
Caroline—John G. Rowe.	Macon College.
King George—Thomas J. Bayton.	Wm. B. Rowzie, Agent Randolph Ma-
Westmoreland—Joseph H. Davis.	con College.
Northumberland—To be supplied.	

John Bayley allowed to remain in England the next year.

TRANSFERRED.

Nelson Head, transferred to Baltimore Conference, and agent for Randolph Macon College *ad interim*.

James L. Shipley, transferred to Baltimore Conference.

James F. Finnell, " " "

Thomas B. Sargent, " " " and appointed assistant pastor of Central Church, Baltimore.

James H. Jefferson, transferred to Holston Conference.

Wesley C. Vaiden, " St. Louis "

SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

Jacob Shough,
Alexander Stewart,
John C. Garlick,
Humphrey Billups,
Matthew M. Dance,
Benjamin M. Williams,
Robert A. Gregory,

Joseph Carson,
Samuel T. Moorman,
Wm. A. Robinson,
Benjamin Devany,
Minton Thrift,
Jesse K. Powers,
Henry C. Cheatham,
Benjamin T. Ames.

XI.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

PASTORAL CHARGES.	LO L PRS.		MEM'RS		BAP'MS		CHURCH PROPERTY				SUN. SCHOOLS				
	White.	Colored.	White.	Colored.	Adult.	Infant.	No. church's	Estimated value of Churches.	No. pars'gs	Estimated value. Parsonages.	No. Schools.	No. Officers and Teach's	No. Scholars	Volumes in Library.	
RICHMOND DISTRICT.															
Richmond City:															
Centenary	2	...	290	.....	9	7	1	\$25,000	...	.....	2	64	354	404
Broad Street.....	.....	.....	260	.....	.....	6	1	40,000	.....	.....	2	48	204	170
Trinity.....	2	.....	378	.....	25	10	1	30,000	.....	.....	1	45	285	900
Clay Street.....	.....	.....	255	.....	6	2	1	18,000	.....	.....	1	32	297	650
Union.....	1	.....	294	.....	.....	1	1	15,000	.....	.....	1	43	255	175
Rocketts.....	.....	.....	25	.....	1	1	1	2,000	.....	.....	1	18	120	150
Sidney.....	.....	.....	46	.....	.....	1	1	1,500	.....	.....	1	16	58	150
Oregon.....	.....	.....	83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Manchester.....	.....	.....	198	.....	2	6	1	5,000	.....	.....	1	25	220	500
King William.....	2	.....	262	.....	26	4	2	1,200	.....	.....	3	18	115	200
Charles City.....	.....	.....	297	.....	27	12	4	10,000	1	3,000	4	40	185	500
New Kent.....	1	.....	468	.....	2	10	6	4,000	.....	.....	4	28	250	200
James City and Williamsburg }.....	1	.....	114	.....	5	.....	3	6,000	.....	.....	3	20	55	160
York and Hampton.....	2	.....	486	.....	1	16	51	.....	.....	.....	4	50	200	500
Gloucester.....	1	.....	694	.....	1	20	6	6,000	1	1,200	5	57	321	540
Matthews.....	2	.....	850	.....	4	4	94	4,000	1	1,700	5	78	488	450
	14	...	4700	.....	12	151	227	168,700	3	5,900	39	582	3407	5640
CHARLOTTESVILLE DIST.															
Charlottesville.....	1	.....	170	.....	1	.....	1	12,000	.....	.....	1	18	210	300
Albemarle.....	1	.....	485	.....	77	4	2	7,500	1	1,500	6	36	330	600
Scottsville.....	4	.....	500	.....	6	4	3	1,000	.....	.....	8	40	200	600
Fluvanna.....	2	1	345	.....	10	5	4	4,000	.....	.....	3	30	100	300
Goochland.....	.....	.....	224	.....	2	8	9	.....	.....	.....	4	20	120	250
Hanover.....	1	.....	400	.....	.....	2	5	5,000	1	2,000	6	50	250	450
Beaver Dam.....	1	.....	302	.....	1	14	3	3,000	.....	.....	3	30	110	410
Louisa.....	2	.....	500	.....	10	20	12	9,000	1	3,000	4	32	250	.....
Orange.....	.....	.....	220	.....	.....	20	9	5,000	.....	.....	6	33	199	890
Madison.....	1	.....	245	.....	2	30	3	8,000	1	1,000	3	10	40	.....
Greene.....	.....	.....	337	.....	.....	8	.....	6	.....	.....	6	23	130	350
Batesville.....	.....	.....	367	.....	17	12	4	8,000	.....	.....	5	31	235	500
Nelson.....	1	.....	290	.....	1	20	13	7,000	.....	.....	7	38	300	500
Piedmont Mission.....	1	.....	192	.....	6	13	5	1,500	.....	.....	4	30	180	1360
	14	2	4577	.....	132	159	69	77,200	4	7,500	66	421	2654	6510
LYNCHBURG DISTRICT.															
Lynchburg:															
Centenary.....	.....	.....	270	.....	12	8	1	17,000	.....	\$5,500	1	35	214	500
Court Street.....	1	.....	242	.....	3	6	.....	30,000	1	6,000	1	43	225	1600
City Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Amherst.....	3	.....	400	.....	50	41	11	3,000	1	1,200	9	45	330	300
West Amherst.....	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bedford.....	1	.....	490	.....	100	35	5	2,500	1	2,000	7	75	300	300
Bedford Springs.....	.....	1	217	.....	61	38	9	4,500	.....	.....	2	16	87	334
South Bedford.....	.....	.....	412	.....	20	3	.....	8,000	.....	.....	7	45	450	1000
Campbell.....	1	443	1	15	9	3,600	1	1,000	7	40	220	100
Appomattox.....	2	285	12	8	6,000	1	1,500	3	35	150	350
Liberty.....	.....	.....	88	.....	.....	10	5	1	2,500	.....	1	10	80	200
Slate River.....	.....	.....	160	.....	.....	8	.....	8	.....	.....	3	30	100	.....
Buckingham.....	1	330	4	5	8,000	1	1,000	4	15	90
Porter's Mountain Mission.....	72
	9	1	3609	231	167	67	\$91,100	6	\$18,200	45	389	2246	4684

*Value of a lot.

STATISTICS.—CONTINUED.

PASTORAL CHARGES.	LOL PRS.		MEM'RS		BA'P'MS		CHURCH PROPERTY				SUN. SCHOOLS			
	White.	Colored.	White.	Colored.	Adult.	Infant.	No. church's	Estimated value of Churches.	No. pars'ag.	Estimated value Parsonages.	No. Schools.	No. Officers and Teach's	No. Scholars	Volumes in Library.
DANVILLE DISTRICT														
Danville.....	1	...	200	...	35	10	1	\$13,000	...	...	1	30	133	200
Charlotte.....	1	...	275	72	...	...	6	5,200	...	...	6	67	190	40
West Charlotte.....	1	...	75	1	...	...	4	2,000	...	...	3	12	40	50
South of Dan.....	...	...	346	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	6	30	150	300
Halifax.....	...	...	300	50	4	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bannister.....	...	...	120	...	...	...	4	4,000	...	...	2	...	60	50
Ringgold Mission.....	...	...	114	...	14	...	3	700	...	...	2	10	60	...
Pittsylvania.....	6	1	306	21	1	5	8	5,700	1	\$300	5	25	245	284
South Staunton.....	1	...	350	30	28	...	7	8,000	...	...	3	20	100	...
Franklin.....	2	...	234	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flint Hill Mission.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Henry.....	...	...	238	26	6	...	...	4,000	...	...	3	15	75	150
Patrick.....	1	...	160	15	...	...	...	3,000	...	...	3	30	120	...
Dan River Mission.....	1	...	194	21	35	12	6	6,000	...	...	9	81	599	675
	12	2	2912	236	127	29	39	57,900	1	300	43	320	1772	1749
R. MACON DISTRICT.														
Farmville.....	1	1	96	69	5	3	1	6,000	...	...	2	28	146	200
Prince Edward.....	2	1	353	105	14	2	5	5,850	1	2,000	2	9	55	75
Cumberland.....	1	...	280	2	6	1	3	5,000	1	2,000	1	2	40	150
Amelia.....	4	...	323	22	7	15	6	6,900	1	2,000	3	25	121	...
Powhatan.....	1	...	168	7	17	8	4	5,000	...	...	2	25	75	300
Burkeville.....	...	...	85	1	3	1	3	1,200	...	...	1	15	44	150
Nottoway.....	1	...	328	...	30	4	...	...	...	...	3	23	107	550
Lunenburg.....	...	...	595	1	51	9	7	6,500	...	...	9	92	384	780
Brunswick.....	5	...	539	5	1	2	11	5,000	1	2,000	6	40	150	300
Mecklenburg.....	3	1	950	35	30	12	...	...	...	...	10	80	500	600
Randolph Macon College.....	1	...	71	1	1	2	1	2,500	...	...	2	5	30	...
Randolph Macon Circuit.....	1	...	221	12	6	7	5	3,000	...	...	3	26	96	110
Union.....	1	...	82	6	1	...	1	1,000	...	...	1	6	47	60
	21	3	4091	266	172	66	47	47,950	4	8,000	45	376	1795	3275
PETERSBURG DISTRICT.														
Petersburg:														
Washington Street.....	2	...	403	...	10	20	1	30,000	1	6,000	1	40	272	580
Blandford.....	...	...	12	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	60	400
Market Street.....	2	...	255	...	4	15	1	25,000	1	5,500	1	37	164	485
Wesley Chapel.....	...	...	43	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	1	22	74	400
High Street.....	1	...	368	...	7	...	1	10,000	...	...	1	25	186	338
Etricks and Battersea.....	1	...	139	...	...	11	1	1,200	...	...	1	26	115	280
Chesterfield.....	2	...	376	...	...	...	8	2,400	1	2,000	5	30	244	333
Clover Hill.....	2	...	168	...	1	...	3	2,100	...	...	4	58	184	383
Coalfield.....	...	...	82	...	...	2	3	1,000	...	...	3	19	134	100
Dinwiddie.....	2	...	254	...	6	33	6	3,015	...	...	4	28	114	...
West Dinwiddie.....	2	...	300	...	25	6	5	3,000	...	...	4	20	200	300
Sussex.....	4	...	445	...	14	12	9	6,000	...	...	10	84	270	532
Greensville.....	1	...	295	...	8	...	9	5,400	...	...	2	12	42	50
Surry.....	1	...	272	...	3	2	6	4,000	...	...	6	56	205	156
Smithfield.....	1	...	297	3	2	7	8	8,500	...	...	4	47	204	250
Prince George.....	...	...	150	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	45	75
	21	...	3859	3	80	117	61	101,615	3	13,500	48	511	2513	4712
MURFREESBORO' DISTRICT														
Murfreesboro'.....	...	...	201	3	...	3	3	5,000	...	...	1	23	70	500
Northampton.....	5	...	800	25	30	9	10	8,000	...	...	5	40	400	200
Bertie.....	2	...	389	1	20	2	9	8,800	1	1,500	7	76	202	496
Gates.....	2	...	680	...	40	4	10	7,000	1	400	8	40	500	400
Edenton.....	1	...	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	40	500
Hertford.....	2	...	676	...	15	14	9	9,000	1	1,200	12	80	535	...
Pasquotank.....	3	...	521	...	22	8	7	6,000	...	...	6	90	250	681
Indian Ridge.....	1	...	579	...	20	9	...	...	...	...	7	42	296	...
Elizabeth City.....	1	...	103	...	1	5	1	6,500	...	...	1	30	150	300
Suffolk.....	...	...	189	1	1	3	2	6,000	...	...	2	40	187	450
Southampton.....	1	...	597	1	18	...	10	5,100	1	1,300	6	41	157	225
Currituck Mission.....	...	...	311	...	...	...	6	5,000	...	...	...	...	...	...
	18	...	5088	31	167	57	67	\$66,400	4	\$4,400	56	510	2782	3852

STATISTICS.—CONTINUED.

PASTORAL CHARGES.	LOL PRS.		MEMR'S		BAP' MS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				SUN. SCHOOLS			
	White.	Colored.	White.	Colored.	Adult.	Infant.	No. church's	Estimated value of Churches.	No. pars'ags	Estimated value Parsonages.	No. schools.	No. Officers and Teach's	No. Scholars	Volumes in Library.
NORFOLK DISTRICT.														
Norfolk:														
Cumberland Street.....	1	...	432	...	53	12	1	\$30,000	...	...	1	45	305	500
Granby Street.....		...	185	...	...	14	1	30,000	...	...	1	38	211	500
Portsmouth:														
Dinwiddie Street.....	2	...	320	...	9	3	1	8,070	...	...	1	53	278	1000
Wesley Chapel.....	1	...	215	...	14	16	1	2,000	...	...	1	40	231	730
Second Street.....	...	...	59	...	2	15	1	2,500	...	...	1	14	98	350
Norfolk Circuit.....	...	...	150	...	4	2	3	4,500	...	...	2	31	163	260
East Norfolk.....	...	...	315	...	...	23	7	15,200	...	...	6	52	250	500
Princess Anne.....	4	...	599	...	20	...	9	5,000	...	...	7	83	422	702
Eastville.....	...	...	290	...	22	23	6	6,300	...	...	5	40	250	...
Pungoteague.....	6	...	505	...	15	25	8	12,000	...	...	7	80	400	600
Atlantic.....	2	...	300	2	10	...	7	6,000	1	\$1,500	7	60	600	1000
Berlin.....	4	...	52	...	5	51	3	2,500	...	...	3	13	65	400
Wicomico.....	...	...	188	...	...	22	3	3,000	...	...	3	42	153	515
Cambridge.....	1	...	73	...	3	15	...	...	...	...	1	12	55	90
Dorchester.....	...	...	280	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	55	218	600
	21	...	3963	7	157	221	51	127,070	1	1,500	51	658	3699	7747
RAPPAHANNOCK DISTRICT														
Rappahannock.....	...	...	240	27	1	2	4	3,500	...	...	3	25	107	260
Culpeper.....	1	...	280	...	40	5	3	4,000	...	...	5	30	110	400
Spottsylvania.....	1	...	166	3	4	...	3	2,000	...	...	...	...	...	...
King George.....	...	...	359	2	...	14	1	2,500	...	...	7	53	350	1200
Westmoreland.....	1	...	389	4	25	...	7	5,900	...	...	5	53	300	...
Lancaster & Northum'and	1	...	308	...	4	15	4	5,000	1	1,200	6	62	259	607
Middlesex.....	2	...	384	...	24	5	6	6,000	1	1,200	5	56	253	1000
King and Queen.....	...	...	550	...	...	...	8	8,000	...	...	4	25	225	500
Caroline.....	3	...	428	...	23	3	5	5,000	...	...	7	90	350	...
	9	...	3104	36	121	44	42	\$41,900	2	\$2,400	42	394	1954	3967

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	LOCL PRS.		MEMBE'S.		BAP' MS		CHURCH PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	White.	Colored.	White.	Colored.	Adult.	Infant.	Number Churches.	Estimated Value.	No. pars'ags	Estimated Value.	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	No. Scholars	No. volumes in Library.
Richmond.....	14	...	4,700	12	151	227	32	\$168,700	3	\$5,900	39	582	3,407	5,649
Charlottesville..	14	2	4,577	132	159	69	69	77,200	4	7,500	66	421	2,654	6,510
Lynchburg.....	9	1	3,609	231	167	67	52	91,100	6	18,200	45	389	2,246	4,684
Danville.....	12	2	2,912	236	127	29	39	57,900	1	300	43	320	1,772	1,749
R. Macon.....	21	3	4,091	266	172	66	47	47,950	4	8,000	45	376	1,795	3,275
Petersburg.....	21	...	3,859	3	80	117	61	101,615	3	13,500	48	511	2,513	4,712
Murfreesboro' ...	18	...	5,088	31	167	57	67	66,400	4	4,400	56	510	2,782	3,852
Norfolk.....	21	...	3,963	7	157	221	51	127,070	1	1,500	51	658	3,699	7,747
Rappahannock.	9	...	3,104	36	121	44	42	41,900	2	2,400	42	394	1,954	3,967
Total.....	139	8	35,903	954	1301	897	460	\$779,835	28	\$61,700	435	4161	22,822	42,145

XII.

CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.

The letters in the first column indicate the present relation of the preachers: E.—*Elder*. D.—*Deacon*. P.—*Probationer*. Sy.—*Supernumerary*. Sd.—*Superannuated*. The letters in the second column signify, A.—*Admitted (on trial)*. R.—*Readmitted*. T.—*Transferred*.

The figures in parenthesis indicate the year of entrance into the *itinerancy*, of those who have been readmitted or received by transfer.

N. B.—Where the State is not given, the postoffice is in Virginia.

NAMES.	RELATION	TIME OF ADMISSION	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
Arnold, Isaac M.	E Sy	A 1837	Farmers Grove, Southampton co.
August, Peter F.	E	A 1846	Curdsville, Buckingham county.
Amiss, Joseph H.	E	A 1854	Coman's Well, Sussex county.
Anderson, James M.	E	A 1857	Madison Court House.
Archer, Philmer W. (1839)	E	T 1858	Chesterfield Court House.
Ames, Benjamin T.	D Sd	A 1858	Locustville, Accomac county.
Allen, William E.	E	A 1859	Jerusalem, Southampton county.
Armistead, Robert A.	E P	A 1868	Richmond city.
Bayley, John	E	A 1840	Newcastle-under-Lyme, England.
Billups, Humphrey (1838)	E Sd	R 1840	Matthews Court House.
Bennett, William W.	E	A 1842	Richmond city.
Brannin, James F.	E Sy	A 1845	Brandy Station, Culpeper county.
Bayton, Thomas J.	E	A 1846	Edge Hill, King George county.
Boggs, Francis J. (1846)	E	T 1848	Richmond city.
Bain, William F.	E	A 1851	Lancaster Court House.
Brown, Alexander G.	E	A 1853	Lynchburg.
Beadles, Robert B.	E	A 1855	Saluda, Middlesex county.
Boggs, Thomas H.	E	A 1855	Harmony, Halifax county.
Blincoe, James W.	E	A 1857	Lawrenceville, Brunswick county.
Burton, Robert O. (1833)	E	T 1858	
Booker, George E.	E	A 1859	Scottsville, Albemarle county.
Bingley, Charles V.	E	A 1859	Cambridge, Maryland.
Blogg, Edward N. S.	E	A 1860	Baltimore, Maryland.
Bowles, Henry C.	E	A 1860	Patrick Court House.
Bledsoe, Adam C.	E	A 1861	Louisa Court House.
Beckham, Thomas M.	E	A 1863	King and Queen Court House.
Bacon, Herbert T.	D	A 1865	Charlotte Court House.
Bishop, Milton L. (1848)	E	R 1867	Palmyra, Fluvanna county.
Blackwell, John D. (1846)	E	T 1868	Amherst Court House.
Carson, Joseph (1805)*	E Sd	T 1824	Culpeper Court House.
Cowles, Henry B.	E	A 1831	Petersburg.
Christian, William H.	E	A 1852	Portsmouth.
Crown, James H.	E	A 1856	Petersburg.
Cheatham, Henry C.	E Sd	A 1857	Norfolk city.
Colonna, Major S.	E	A 1858	Gatesville, North Carolina.
Camper, William H.	E	A 1859	McIvor's Depot, Amherst county.
Carson, Robert I. (1829)	E Sy	T 1859	
Campbell, Thomas S. (1831)	E Sy	R 1860	Petersburg.
Carter, William (1836)	E Sy	T 1860	Boydton, Meeklenburg county.

*Licensed to preach in 1799.

CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.—CONTINUED.

NAMES.	RELATION.	TIME OF ADMISSION	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
Compton, James W.	E	A 1860	Norfolk city.
Connolly, James W.	E	A 1860	Dinwiddie Court House.
Compton, Robert A.	E	A 1862	Edenton, North Carolina.
Crooks, Robert N.	E	A 1865	Harrellsville, North Carolina.
Cobb, William R.	P	A 1868	Boydton, Mecklenburg county.
Davis, Joseph H.	E	A 1836	Hague, Westmoreland county.
Dance, Matthew M. (1812)	E Sd	R 1840	Meherrin Depot, Prince Edward co.
Devany, Benjamin (1806)	E Sd	R 1840	Jerusalem, Southampton county.
Diggs, Thomas	E	A 1843	Dinwiddie Court House.
Dey, John B.	E	A 1847	Cambridge, Maryland.
Duncan, James A.	E	A 1849	Ashland, Hanover county.
Duncan, William W.	E	A 1859	Norfolk city.
Daugherty, Beverly W.	E Sy	R 1865	Cambridge, Maryland.
Edwards, John E. (1835)	E	T 1845	Richmond city.
Early, Thomas H.	E Sy	A 1857	Lynchburg.
Edwards, William E.	E	A 1862	Charlottesville.
Edwards, Francis M.	E	A 1863	Matthews Court House.
Fisher, James L. (1848)	E	R 1866	Hertford, North Carolina.
Garlick, John C.	E Sd	A 1839	Garysburg, North Carolina.
Gary, Hartwell H.	E	A 1839	Charlottesville.
Grant, William	E	A 1841	Jackson, North Carolina.
Gregory, Robert A.	E Sd	A 1844	
Granbery, John C.	E	A 1848	Richmond city.
Garland, James P.	E	A 1858	Manchester.
Greybill, Lewis H.	E	A 1859	Amissville, Rappahannock county.
Guy, George N.	E	A 1861	Wilson's Depot, Dinwiddie county.
Garrett, Joshua L.	E	A 1866	Farmville.
Gibbs, Esmond A. (1846)	E	R 1868	Concord Depot, Campbell county.
Howard, John W.	E	A 1845	Princess Anne Court House.
Hall, Alexander M.	E	A 1852	Rocky Mount, Franklin county.
Hansberger, Layton J.	E	T 1858	Oak Forrest, Cumberland county.
Hunter, William I.	E	A 1859	Liberty, Bedford county.
Hank, Josiah D.	E	T 1866	Salisbury, Maryland.
Hilddrup, John W.	D	A 1866	Batesville, Powhatan county.
Hobday, Chas. E.	P	A 1867	Garysburg, North Carolina.
Hopkins, William H.	D	A 1867	Ashland, Hanover county.
Hodges, David F.	P	A 1867	Martinsville, Henry county.
Hall, Charles H. (1853)	E	R 1868	Petersburg.
Johnson, Blassingame H.	E	A 1838	St. Tammany's, Mecklenburg co.
Judkins, William E.	E	A 1853	Petersburg.
Jamieson, James (1829)	E	T 1858	Danville.
Jones, John W. F.	E	A 1859	Clover Green, Spottsylvania county.
Jones, John N.	D	A 1866	Orange Court House.
Jerdone, William M.	D	A 1866	Beaver Dam, Hanover county.
Lee, Leroy M.	E	A 1828	Richmond city.
Langhorne, George W.	E	A 1830	Lynchburg.
Lear, Joseph	E	A 1834	Williamsburg.
Littleton, Oscar	E	A 1850	Farmville, Prince Edward county.
Lumsden, James D. (1838)	E	T 1853	Hampton, Elizabeth City county.
Laurens, John B.	E Sy	A 1853	Baltimore, Maryland.
Lumpkin, William G.	E	A 1854	Blacks & Whites, Nottoway county.
Linney, Henry M.	E	A 1857	Gordonsville, Orange county.
Lambeth, Samuel S.	E	A 1857	Suffolk, Nansemond county.

CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.—CONTINUED.

NAMES.	RELATION	TIME OF ADMISSION	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
Lafferty, John J.	E Sy	A 1857	Lexington, Rockbridge county.
Moorman, Samuel T.	E Sd	A 1828	Richmond city.
Michaels, Robert	E	A 1836	Farmville, Prince Edward county.
Manning, Jacob	E	A 1839	Charlottesville, Albemarle county.
McMullen, Jeremiah	E	A 1850	Meadsville, Halifax county.
Moore, Lloyd	E	A 1852	Eastville, Northampton county.
Mitchell, Hezekiah P.	E	A 1854	Smithfield, Isle of Wight county.
Moss, James O.	E	A 1856	Temperanceville, Accomac county.
McSparran, James E.	E	A 1857	Gravel Hill, Buckingham county.
Martin, James C.	E	A 1859	Onancock, Accomac county.
Martin, Joseph E.	E	A 1862	Portsmouth.
Merritt, Joseph B.	E	A 1862	Sea View, Northampton county.
McAden, James (1814)	E Sy	R 1863	South Hill, Mecklenburg county.
Nolley, George W.	E	A 1825	Elizabeth City, North Carolina.
Norfleet, William J.	E Sy	A 1840	Edenton, North Carolina.
Powers, Jesse K.	E Sd	A 1828	Petersburg.
Proctor, Joseph A.	E	A 1852	Richmond city.
Peterson, Edward M.	E	A 1852	Gloucester Court House.
Peterson, Peter A.	E	A 1852	Norfolk city.
Pearson, Charles C.	E	A 1853	Danville.
Poulton, John F.	E Sy	A 1853	Alexandria.
Potts, Joseph E.	E	A 1853	Amelia Court House.
Proctor, Jacob H.	E Sy	A 1857	Wilson's Depot, Dinwiddie county.
Pritchett, Edgar H.	E	A 1859	Culpeper Court House.
Rowzie, William B.	E	A 1829	Ashland, Hanover county.
Riddick, James A.	E Sy	A 1833	Stony Creek, Sussex county.
Rosser, Leonidas	E	A 1840	Richmond city.
Rowe, John G.	E	A 1849	Bowling Green, Caroline county.
Reid, Lemuel S.	E	A 1849	Charlottesville.
Robinson, William A.	E Sd	A 1851	Pierce's, Goochland county.
Ray, George H.	E	A 1853	Burkville, Nottoway county.
Riddick, Joseph H.	E Sy	A 1854	Kittrell's Springs, North Carolina.
Robins, Wilbur F.	E Sy	A 1862	Rapidan, Culpeper county.
Reid, James C.	P	A 1868	Montreal, Nelson county.
Stewart, Alexander	E Sd	A 1839	Murfreesboro', North Carolina.
Shough, Jacob	E Sd	A 1840	Patrick Court House.
Saunders, John M.	E	A 1842	Liberty, Bedford county.
Slaughter, D. J. C.	E Sy	A 1842	Rose Mills, Amherst county.
Southall, John D.	E Sy	A 1842	Mossing Ford, Charlotte county.
Spiller, Benjamin C.	E	A 1848	Pierce's, Goochland county.
Spriggs, Joseph	E	T 1850	Campbell Court House.
Spencer, James L.	E Sy	A 1850	Nottoway Court House.
Sledd, Robert N.	E	A 1857	Lynchburg.
Spain, William W.	D Sy	A 1859	Boydton, Mecklenburg county.
Starr, William G.	D	A 1865	Liberty, Bedford county.
Thomas, Nathaniel	E Sy	A 1841	
Thrift, Minton (1812)	E Sd	R 1857	Petersburg.
Tucker, John W.	E	A 1861	Ruckersville, Greene county.
Tennille, Benjamin F.	P	A 1867	Berlin, Maryland.
Taylor, Travis J.	P	A 1867	King William Court House.
Vanderslice, G. C.	E	A 1859	Richmond city.
White, John W.	E	A 1828	Surry Court House.

CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.—CONTINUED.

NAMES.	RELATION	TIME OF ADMISSION	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
Wilson, Edward P.	E	A 1842	Ream's Station, Dinwiddie county.
Woodward, Benjamin F.	E	A 1844	Boydton, Mecklenburg county.
Wills, Davis P.	E	A 1846	Norfolk city.
Wiles, Alfred	E	R 1848	
Waggener, James R.	E	A 1849	New London, Campbell county.
Wallace, David M.	E	A 1853	Whitmell, Pittsylvania county.
Whitehead, Paul	E	A 1853	Murfreesboro', North Carolina.
Williams, Thomas L.	E	A 1853	Currituck Court House, N. C.
Woodward, John P.	E	A 1853	Prince George Court House.
Ware, Thomas A.	E	T 1856	Richmond city.
Watts, Thomas W.	E	A 1857	Mechum's river, Albemarle county.
Williams, Benjamin M.	E Sd	T 1858	Texas.
Watson, James C.	E	A 1859	Brickland, Lunenburg county.
Wise, Thomas P.	D	A 1863	Portsmouth.
Watts, Charles E.	E	A 1866	Hicksford, Greensville county.
Wright, William P.	P	A 1867	Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

XIII.

BISHOPS OF THE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

ENTERED MINISTRY	NAME.	ORDAINED BISHOP.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.
1812	James Osgood Andrew	1832	Summerfield, Alabama.
1818	Robert Paine	1846	Aberdeen, Mississippi.
1830	George Foster Pierce	1854	Sparta, Georgia.
1807	John Early	1854	Lynchburg, Virginia.
1823	Hubbard Hinde Kavanaugh	1854	Lexington, Kentucky.
1828	William May Wightman	1866	Charleston, South Carolina.
1841	Enoch Mather Marvin	1866	St. Louis, Missouri.
1829	David Seth Doggett	1866	Richmond, Virginia.
1845	Holland Nimmons McTyeire	1866	Nashville, Tennessee.

XIV.

Constitution of the Board of Domestic Missions.

ARTICLE I. The Board shall be known as the Board of Domestic Missions of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

ARTICLE II. The Board shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and nine managers, who shall be chosen annually by the Virginia Conference. The managers shall consist of five members of the Conference and four laymen. The Board shall fill any vacancy which may occur from death, resignation, or other cause.

ARTICLE III. The Treasurer shall take charge of all the funds and property of the Board, subject to the order of the Board, and shall make an accurate report annually of all receipts and disbursements of the Board to the Virginia Conference. He shall also receive money collected in aid of foreign missions and transmit the same to the Secretary of that Board.

ARTICLE IV. The Secretary shall keep a full record of the proceedings of the Board.

ARTICLE V. It shall be the duty of the Board to inquire diligently into the labors of the missionaries and the state of the missions; to recommend to the Conference what missions shall be instituted, continued, or discontinued, and what appropriations shall be made for their support; and in the intervals between the sessions of the Conference to organize new missions when they think it necessary and the missionary funds justify it, and request the Bishop to appoint preachers to such missions.

ARTICLE VI. It shall be the duty of the President to publish in our church papers, from time to time, facts and incidents connected with the condition and need of our various missions, in order to excite our people to enlarged liberality in this department of Christian benevolence; and he shall also present an annual report to this Conference setting forth the present condition of the various missions in our bounds, and making such recommendations as he and the Board may deem advisable for the more complete success of the cause of missions.

ARTICLE VII. Every minister laboring on one of our missions shall forward semi-annually to the President of the Board a full report of his labors and of the state of the mission.

ARTICLE VIII. The Board shall make arrangements before the session of Conference for a public meeting in aid of Domestic Missions, to be held at such time and place during the session of Conference and in such mode as they may deem expedient.

XV.

PLAN OF ELECTING LAY DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Two male members of the church shall be elected by the first or second quarterly conference, of each pastoral charge, to attend the district conference, and whose especial duty it shall be to elect four lay representatives (one of whom may be a local preacher) from the district to the Annual Conference. In case of failure to hold a district conference, the Presiding Elder shall call together said representatives of the quarterly conferences for the purpose of electing the delegates to the Annual Conference.

XVI. APPENDIX.

IN MEMORIAM.

" They rest from their labours and their works do follow them."

[LIST OF MINISTERS (MEMBERS) OF THE VIRGINIA CONFERENCE
WHO HAVE DIED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE M. E.
CHURCH, SOUTH, IN 1845.]

NAMES.	Born.	En'd Itin't Ministry.	TIME OF DEATH.	PLACE OF DEATH.
Wm. T. Norfolk	1811	1840	January 1, 1845	Calvert county, Maryland.
Joshua Leigh	1798	1822	December 24, 1845	Columbus, Mississippi.
Joseph A. Brown	1807	1830	February 20, 1846	Louisa county, Virginia.
Isaac A. Willis	1816	1839	April 30, 1846	Culpeper county, Virginia.
Wm. L. Blanton	1821	1844	August 5, 1846	Greensville county, Va.
Gervas M. Kessee	1805	1834	November 14, 1847	Henrico county, Virginia.
John C. Ballew		1803	January 15, 1848	Livingston county, Tenn.
Wm. E. Lee	1814	1840	February, 1848	Albemarle county, Va.
Joseph L. Knight	1808	1842	February 12, 1848	Matthews county, Va.
Abram Penn	1803	1828	1849	Patrick county, Virginia.
Joseph Pinnell	1767	1795	January 18, 1849	Alleghany county, Va.
Edward C. Murrill	1819	1843	February 18, 1850	Nelson county, Virginia.
John W. Childs	1801	1827	May 9, 1850	Norfolk city, Virginia.
George A. Bain	1798	1820	May 27, 1850	Petersburg, Virginia.
Wesley H. Rohr	1810	1836	October 23, 1850	Buckingham county, Va.
David Wood	1808	1829	March 27, 1851	Port Republic, Virginia.
James P. Owen	1809	1831	March 13, 1852	Sussex county, Virginia.
Martin A. Dunn	1808	1839	October 28, 1852	Fauquier county, Virginia.
Thomas Crowder	1797	1821	December, 1852	Albemarle county, Va.

IN MEMORIAM.—CONTINUED.

NAMES.	Born.	Ent'd Itin't Ministry.	TIME OF DEATH.	PLACE OF DEATH.
George W. Andrews	1808	1841	June 11, 1854	Mecklenburg county, Va.
Ballard E. Gibson	1812	1834	February 7, 1855	Albemarle county, Va.
Anthony Dibrell	1805	1830	September 1, 1855	Norfolk city, Virginia.
Vernon Eskridge	1802	1828	September 11, 1855	Portsmouth, Virginia.
Stephen W. Jones		1828	September, 1855	Norfolk city, Virginia.
Samuel S. Eskridge		1851	October 11, 1855	Stafford county, Virginia.
Francis S. Mitchell	1802	1839	January 1, 1856	Richmond city, Virginia.
Lewis Skidmore	1789	1813	October 1, 1857	Charlotte county, Virginia.
John W. Williams	1819	1842	March 4, 1857	Amherst county, Virginia.
Thomas C. Hayes	1815	1835	September 26, 1858	Baltimore, Maryland.
William Reid	1792	1845	February 23, 1859	Norfolk city, Virginia.
Wm. G. Dulin		1856	January 17, 1860	Prince Edward co., Va.
Thomas H. Jones		1841	September 12, 1860	Albemarle county, Va.
Henry W. Bellman	1824	1849	1860	Richmond city, Virginia.
J. H. Watson		1825	1860	Pittsylvania county, Va.
Wm. P. Twyman		1854	October 25, 1860	Spottsylvania county, Va.
Joseph W. Payne		1860	February 24, 1861	Stafford county, Virginia.
Wm. M. Ward	1814	1839	June 7, 1861	Warrenton, Virginia.
Robert T. Nixon	1813	1835	January, 1861	Gatesville, North Carolina.
John S. Rees		1857	January 17, 1862	Front Royal, Virginia.
Henry S. Atmore	1822	1843	January, 1862	Orange county, Virginia.
Samuel Robertson	1834	1850	May 29, 1862	Nelson county, Virginia.
Frank Stanly	1807	1831	October, 1862	Danville, Virginia.
Geo. W. Charlton	1796	1818	February, 1863	Petersburg, Virginia.
Thomas Y. Cash		1848	February 11, 1865	Prince Edward county, Va.
John Kerr		1823	March 31, 1865	Petersburg, Virginia.
G. W. S. Harper	1796	1821	June, 1865	Louisa county, Virginia.
Wm. C. Blount	1819	1848	January 17, 1866	Portsmouth Virginia.
Wm. L. Dalby	1825	1851	February 7, 1866	Northampton county, Va.
B. B. Shelton		1853	April 6, 1866	Franklin county, Virginia.
Allen R. Bernard	1795	1815	June 16, 1866	Nansemond county, Va.
Robert Scott		1829	July 6, 1866	Caroline county, Virginia.
John W. Wonnycott		1854	July 15, 1866	Gatesville, North Carolina.
Andrew J. Beckwith	1833	1854	November 27, 1866	Richmond city, Virginia.
James D. Coulling	1813	1836	November 28, 1866	Murfreesboro', N. C.
Wm. H. Starr	1793	1816	February 14, 1867	Murfreesboro', N. C.
Thos. A. Pierce	1819	1847	February 26, 1867	Appomattox county, Va.
John H. Payne	1823	1857	August 27, 1867	Norfolk county, Virginia.
James E. Joyner	1809	1832	March 15, 1868	Henry county, Virginia.
Geo. M. Robertson		1860	July 3, 1868	Prince George county, Va.

II.

STATISTICS OF THE VIRGINIA CONFERENCE, M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, FROM
1845 TO 1868, INCLUSIVE.

YEAR.	Local Preachers	White Members	Colored Members	Total Min- isters and Members	Missionary Collections.	Conference Collections.
1845.....	No rep	26,426	4,949	31,375	\$4,300	\$851
1846.....	166	26,868	5,192	32,226	3,403	2,322
1847.....	165	28,292	5,691	34,148	4,432	2,256
1848.....	182	29,565	5,913	35,660	6,750	2,449
1849.....	184	30,938	5,891	37,013	8,151	2,688
1850.....	189	31,166	6,312	37,667	8,536	3,280
1851.....	179	32,705	6,597	39,481	8,500	3,588
1852.....	190	32,803	6,597	39,590	7,344	4,214
1853.....	193	32,732	6,250	39,175	13,604	5,561
1854.....	195	32,949	6,294	39,438	13,438	5,250
1855.....	186	33,461	6,587	40,254	12,503	5,889
1856.....	205	34,502	6,483	41,190	17,234	6,619
1857.....	185	34,743	5,634	40,562	17,500	6,510
1858.....	198	37,978	7,011	45,195	21,444	7,316
1859.....	216	40,376	7,753	48,345	.....	.....
1860.....	174	40,159	7,567	47,900	20,338	8,033
1861.....	198	38,300	6,880	45,378	.....	6,024
1862.....	183	37,950	6,394	45,067	.....	15,714
1863.....	138	28,360	3,173	31,671	54,592	24,122
1864.....	118	30,594	2,477	33,189	61,081	34,350
1865.....	150	33,370	1,683	35,203	2,903	2,526
1866.....	171	34,843	1,212	36,226	.....	3,338
1867.....	154	36,006	1,021	37,181	4,137	3,520
1868.....	147	35,903	897	36,994	3,106	3,353

III.

METHODISTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

	Total Ministers and Members.
M. E. Church (North)	1,273,453
M. E. Church, South, (Statistics of 1867.)	535,040
Methodist Protestant.....	75,000
American Wesleyan Methodists, about.....	25,000
Evangelical (Methodist) Association.....	58,000
"The Methodist Church"	49,500
African M. E. Church, about.....	200,500
African M. E. Zion Church.....	164,500
Other Methodists, about.....	8,000
Grand total.....	2,388,993

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